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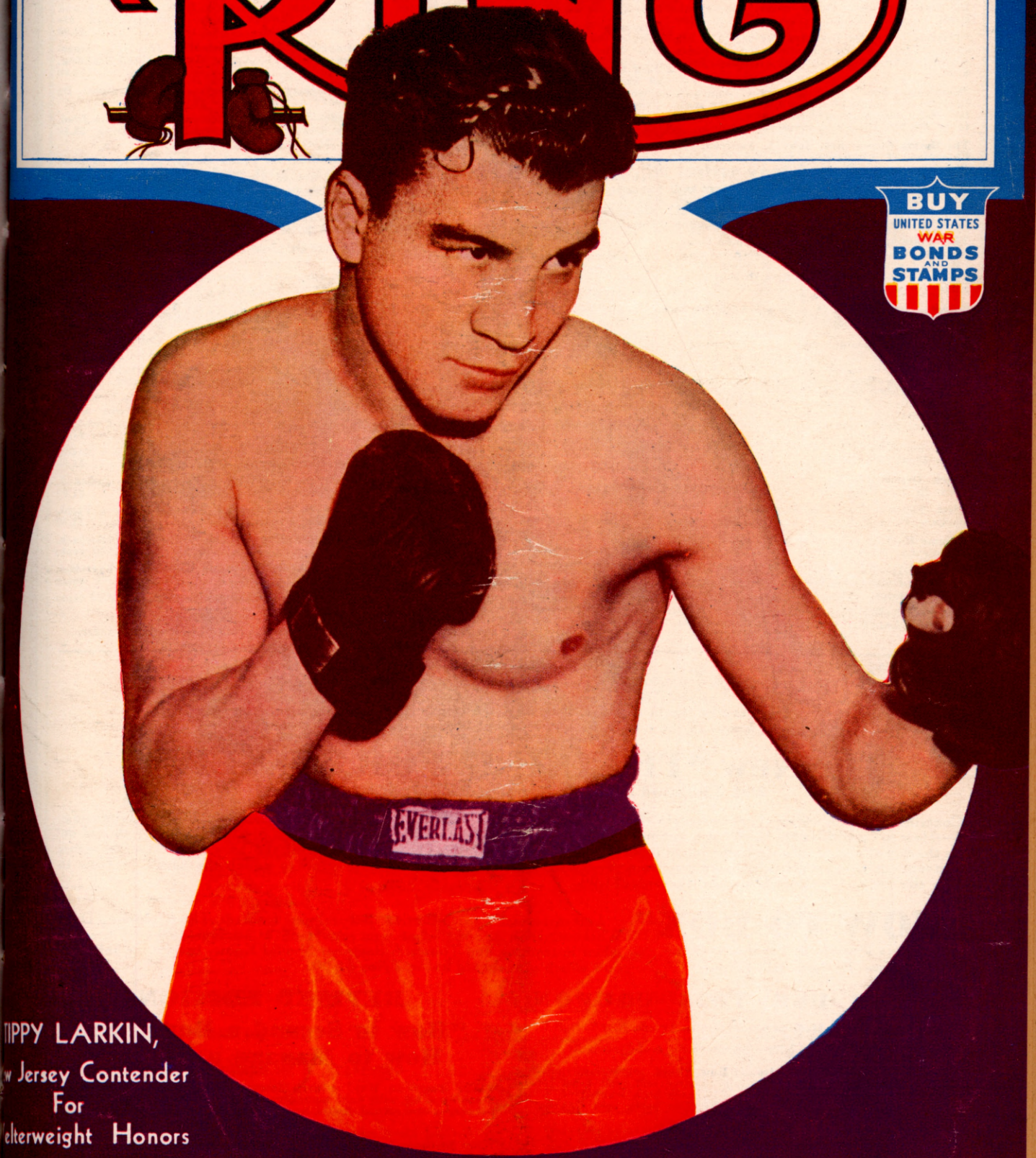

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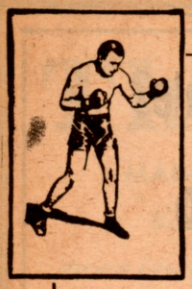

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POSTWAR RING BOOM *in* PROCESS *of* BUILDING

Louis-Conn Return Fight Next June Will Draw Two Million Dollars, Mike Jacobs Predicts With Confidence

By NAT FLEISCHER

WAR'S end means tremendous things for professional boxing, not only in the United States but in England and South America. When we say the United States, we include our possessions, with stress on Hawaii and the Philippines.

War's end means for boxing the start of a revival which cannot miss landing the sport in the most amazing boom it yet has enjoyed.

Before long, there will be a condition in boxing that will make the million-dollar gates of the World War No. 1 aftermath pale into comparative insignificance.

That's strong language, because the Tex Rickard heyday developed some incredible things financially.

However, listen to Mike Jacobs, the standout promoter.

"The biggest thing in this postwar picture is the return fight between Joe Louis and Billy Conn," Mike said in his New York offices the other day.

"Their first encounter, on June 18, 1941, at the Polo Grounds, which Joe won by a knockout in the thirteenth, brought out 54,487 paying guests who turned in $451,743.

"Well, this second fight will draw $2,000,000 and beat the record for a fight in New York, which was set in the Dempsey-Firpo battle at the Polo Grounds, with a take of $1,188,603. That's a lot of dough to draw in a New York ball park. But Louis and Conn will beat that high.

"I don't expect to threaten the all-time record of $2,658,660 which Dempsey and Tunney hit in their second fight, in Soldier Stadium in Chicago. But we will do well enough, and then some, when Joe and Billy get together again."

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ASKED when he believed he could stage this fight, which has received a terrific buildup for four years, Jacobs replied that he was quite confident he would be able to send Louis against the Pittsburgh heavy next June.

"That fight will have a $100 top, and I am sure we will be able to sell 10,000 tickets at that price," the exuberant promoter continued.

Both Louis and Conn figure to be discharged from the Army in the near future.

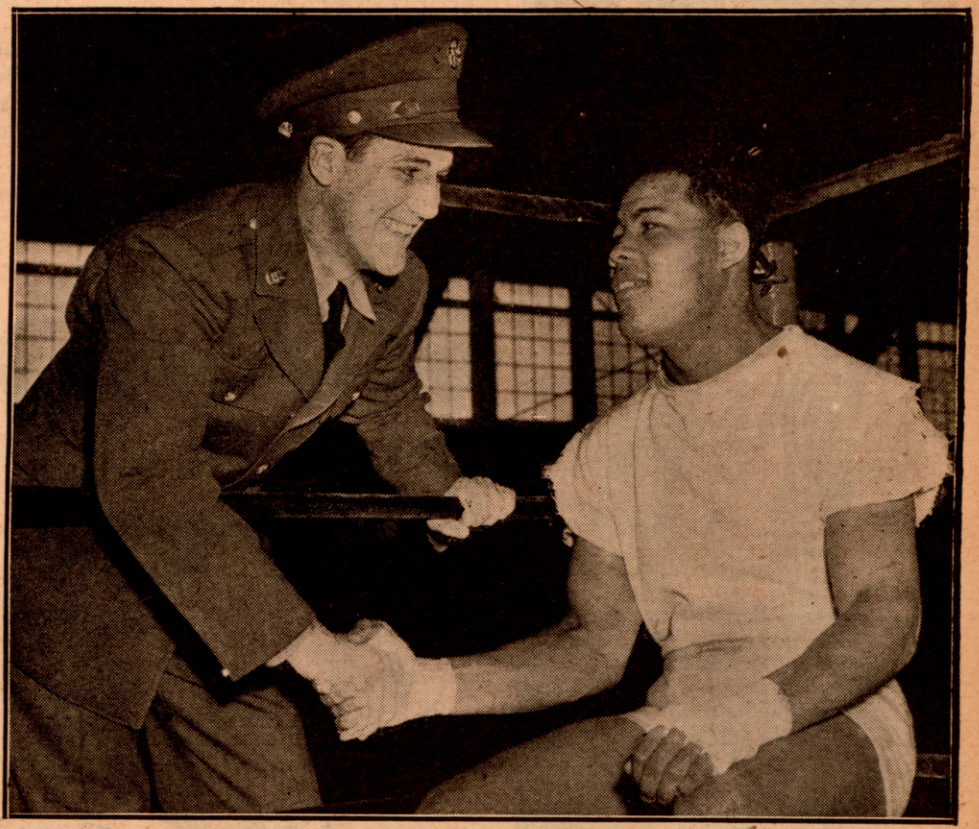
"I see the greatest boom boxing ever has had," Michael went on. "Why, look at the money we have been drawing in our Summer shows in Madison Square Garden. Just imagine! $100,469 for Cochrane and Graziano. Our average has been close to $60,000 per show. We will go close to the million mark for the Summer and we will gross close to two million for the year.

"Can you figure this out? Well, just let the pre-war stars, the real champions, go back into competition and there will be a rush of customers that will tax all arenas."

Mike smiled, rubbed his hands in expectation. "Just imagine the matches that will be available by the time we have another outdoor season. It will be a matchmaker's Paradise, the dream of the fans.

"Know what? In another two years we will have about twice as many fight fans as we had before the war. Maybe three or four times as many. Millions of men returning from service will show interest in fights for the first time. That interest has been developed in them in the service.

"Not only that. A lot of new boys will come to the fore, to challenge the pre-war list of titleholders. It's going to be a grand and glorious feeling. I'll bring to America Freddie Mills, who, Conn says, is the best of Europe's heavyweights, and Woodcock."



A friendly chat between two soldiers—Billy Conn and Joe Louis. They will forget their friendship when they clash again after their discharge and then, in victory or defeat, they'll be pals again.

JACOBS has been in close touch with Louis and Conn. Only recently he got a letter from Billy, from Rome. Conn said that the Italians called the Negro "a great champion."

Conn could not resist being the old pre-war, outspoken Billy. He wrote that Bruce Woodcock, the new heavyweight champion of the British Empire, "is nothing but an ordinary fighter." Billy said he would be in New York by late October.

"With Louis and Conn as my headliners, I am making plans for a post-war schedule which will draw $10,000,000," Jacobs concluded.

Jacobs wants to ship Louis around Europe on a tour before Joe fights Conn again.

"Obviously this junket would not be a competitive one as nobody over there looks like a match for Louis, even if Joe were to prove only three-quarters the fighter he was before the war.

"It would be an exhibition tour, which would give Europe a chance to see the champion, and would enable Louis to refurbish his bank balance, which took a terrible beating during the war. If Joe goes abroad, I will accompany him."

Jacobs also plans boxing alliances with promoters abroad, and is going to send his lawyer, Sol Strauss, to England to negotiate with the arena owners there, and the Woodcock connnections.

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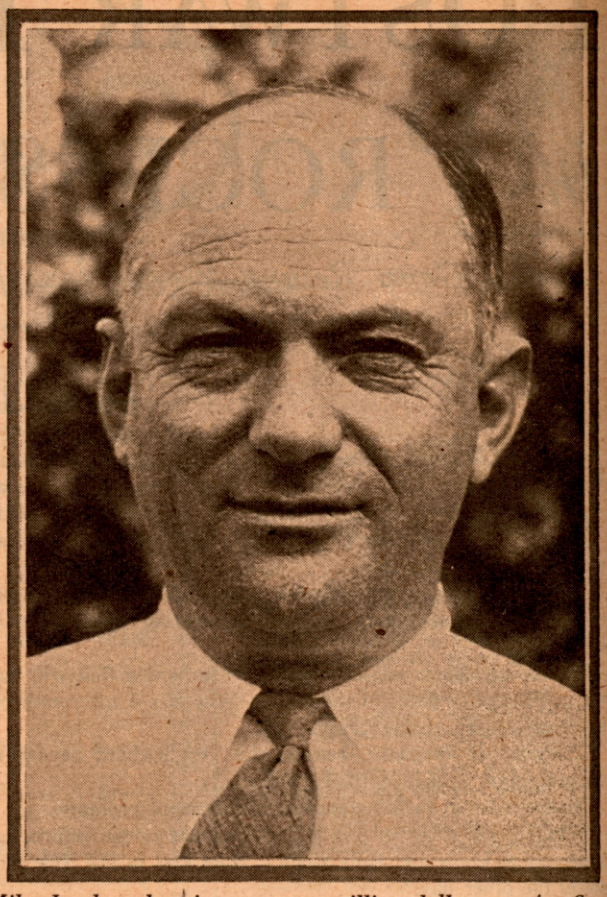
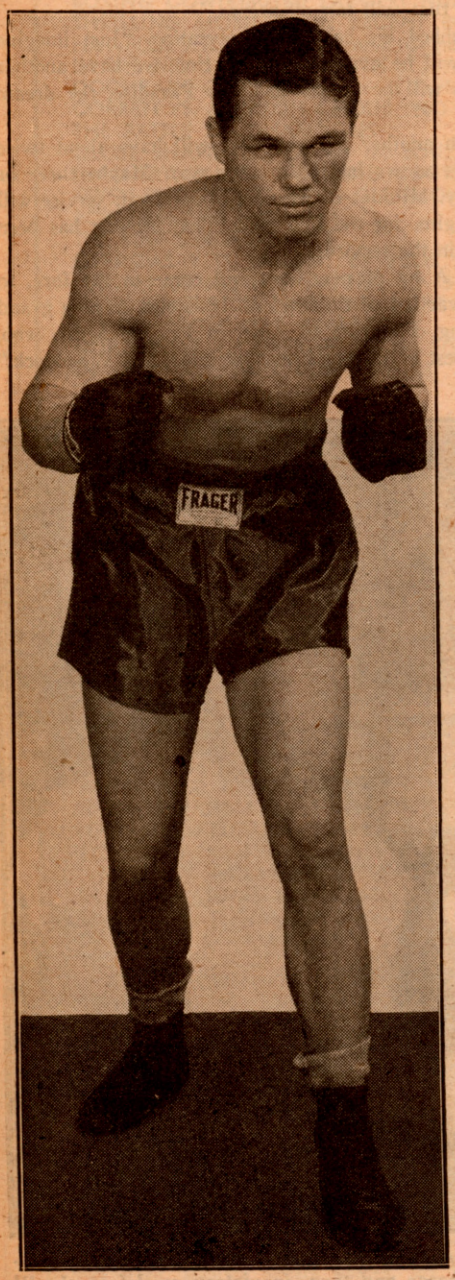


Mike Jacobs, who visages a two million dollar gate for Conn-Louis return engagement next June.



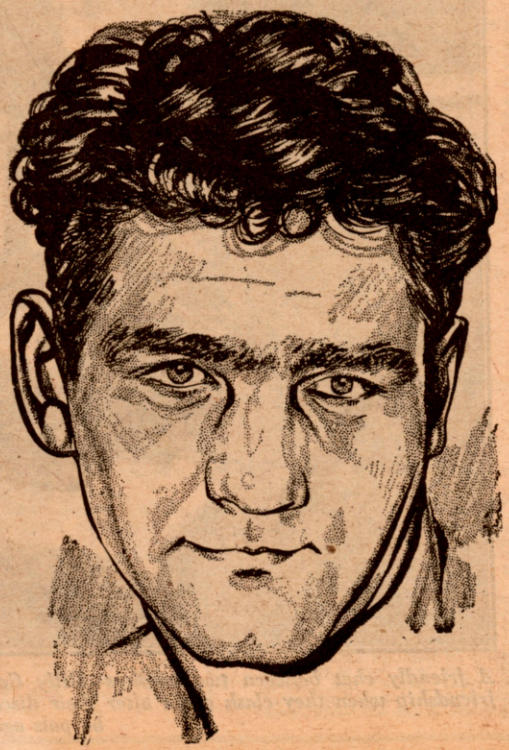
Tony Zale, world middleweight king, who is awaiting an early discharge.

OVER here, boxing interest is not confined to the Louis-Conn situation.

The war having finished our champions soon will start moving back into civilian life—and into our boxing arenas.

One champion, Freddie Cochrane, has been fighting as a civilian, though with none too great success. Once the pre-war picture is reorganized, Cochrane very likely will be the first of the titleholders to be socked out of the way. His recent knockout by Graziano was a hint of what was in store for Freddie, even though he was outweighed in that fight.

Tony Zale, the middleweight champion, and Gus Lesnevich, the light-heavyweight titleholder, both figure to be back in civilian competition before long. Zale expects an early discharge and Gus at this writing is in Samar with the Coast Guard.



Too much should not be expected immediately of the boxers returning from the service.

The public perhaps has been educated in the belief that our war-time boxers were just a lot of "bums," and that our pre-war champions all were supermen.

The titleholders have their vulnerable spots, and they will show them when they get back to fighting.

For the boxers, the post-war picture offers revenues which hitherto have not been available to them and the promoters.

Before long, television will develop some way to overcome present handicaps in presenting boxing contests.

When those ways are found, boxing will achieve a wider appeal and a vastly more important financial place.

Gus Lesnevich, who is in Samar in the South Pacific with the Coast Guard, but who has enough points now for his discharge.

DONS PRIEST'S GARB *to* ESCAPE *from* NAZIS

Steve Klaus of Pittsburgh, International Boxing Coach and Trainer, Fled Concentration Camp to Live in Convent

By BOB LEE

Formerly sports reporter for the STARS AND STRIPES

CAN you imagine a hard-boiled fight promoter in the black, flowing robes and skull cap of a Catholic priest? Sounds like the beginning of a joke, doesn't it? Well, Steve Klaus, former Pittsburgh fight promoter and trainer of ex-light-heavyweight champion Bob Olin, went around for seven months dressed just like that. But is wasn't a joke—his life depended on it! He had to masquerade and act like a priest.

Steve was in that disguise to keep from falling into the hands of the Nazis and Fascists who were searching for him since he escaped from a concentration camp at Ferrara, Italy, where he and his wife and daughter had been interned over two years.

How the Pittsburgh-born promoter and trainer happened to get into such a predicament is quite a story—and now it can be told!

Steve Klaus who is helping in putting on boxing shows for the Army of Occupation in Italy.

Steve, who is as familiar to European rings as he is around Pittsburgh, was contracted by the Italian government in 1939 to prepare their boxing team for the ill-fated 1940 Olympiad which was to be held in Tokyo but never came off due to the war. The Pittsburgher got the job on the merits of his coaching successes with other European teams.

Steve had coached the Hungarian boxing team in the 1932 Olympics and his flyweight entry, Steve Enkes, copped the Olympic title while his middleweight placed third. He also took the Hungarian team to the 1936 Olympics in Berlin and there his lightweight, Imre Haragi, won a championship.

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IN 1939, the European amateur boxing team went to Chicago and whipped the Americans five bouts to three to mark the first time a European boxing team had beat the United States aggregation. Ironically, the victors were coached by Steve, an American.

Again in 1940, Steve brought the European team to Chicago where his eight fighters split victories with the local lads, each squad winning four bouts. Before returning to Europe, his team travelled to Nashville, Tenn., where his boys beat the Nashville amateurs six bouts to two.

Back in Rome, Steve saw the dark clouds of war approaching and quickly applied for passports to America for his wife, newborn daughter and himself. Italian red tape delayed the passports and before passage could be secured the war broke out.

What has happened to Steve and his family since then reads like something out of a dime thriller.

Fascist police stormed into the Klaus household on December 11, 1941—the day following the Italian declaration of war—and offered Steve an ultimatum. He could remain as coach of the Italian boxers if he changed his citizenship, so highly were his coaching talents regarded by the Italians.

The alternative—a concentration camp for his entire family. Steve, a good American, chose to lose his liberty rather than his nationality and was quickly shipped off to a prison camp in northern Italy.

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WHEN the Italian armistice came, an Italian fighter who must go unnamed for the sake of security, helped Steve and his family escape from the camp in a fire engine to Rome where they hid out in the home of another fighter-friend. This fellow, however, was a violent anti-fascist and had hidden firearms and explosives in the basement for sabotage work against the Germans.

These were discovered when police came to search the house, but Steve, who had been forewarned of the raid, had already ducked out with his family. He went to a convent where he knew several anti-fascists were hiding out along with a group of escaped American and British prisoners of war. His wife and daughter hid out in another convent.

The months dragged by and Steve didn't dare leave the safety of the convent walls, even to see his wife and daughter in the nearby convent. Steve and the others dressed as priests to ward off suspicion of passersby and at night they labored at digging underground hideouts. These proved to be valuable dens during the long months for they provided safety from Allied air raids as well as from enemy eyes.

Finally, on June 4, 1944, the Allies entered Rome and Steve emerged from hiding and rejoined his wife and daughter. He learned from the American Consulate in Rome that it would be many months before he could be repatriated back to America so he began preparations for putting boxing back on its feet in the Eternal City.

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STEVE contacted Sgt. Al. Weisberger, boxing impresario for the 12th AAF in Italy, and arranged for a series of cards between GI fighters and leading Italian pugilists. Allied soldiers were given cut rate prices on ducats to Steve's cards and more than 4,000 seats were given gratis to the GI's during the 1944 season.

The Italo-American cards were a success with GI and Italian fight fans alike and in 1945, Steve again promoted the popular programs. With the aid of sports editors of *The Stars and Stripes, Union Jack* and *Maple Leaf,* Canadian newspapers in Rome, the cards were well publicized and drew tremendously.

Steve also aided the Allied Sports Commission in the Mediterranean theater during the Allied boxing championships in Rome last December. When Billy Conn *(Continued on page 31)*

BOXING'S AID *to* GI'S

Sport Furnished Greatest Number of Athletes, Suffered Largest Number of Casualties—Shipments of Equipment to Training Camps and to Battle Fronts Proved Tonic Stimulant for Service Men—Glove Contest Thrills Kept Morale High During Rest Interludes from Business of Killing Nazis and Japs

By THE VETERAN

THE "Cease Fire" signal has hushed the resonant thunder of the guns into the red twilight of the past. For the great War is over, each day sees the big transport ships anchoring in home ports and the returning service men flocking ashore in their thousands.

The flower of American youth went abroad on this stern adventure. They were aglow with bright courage, keenly anticipating the strange thrills that lay ahead but mercifully unaware of the terrible tests of flesh and spirit to which they would be subjected on the crimson trail leading to death or glory. The sport suffered more than 1000 casualties with 203 dead, and 117 missing in action and hundreds wounded, some maimed for life.

Many, however, returned veterans of the most terrific martial struggle the world has ever known, still young in years, but moulded by Fate's iron hand into mature manhood. Back again into the smoothly flowing currents of civilian domestic life, where such bitter experiences as they had undergone were but vaguely comprehended, through the mediums of newspapers, magazines, radio and pictures, by those whom fortune elected to remain in peace at home.

For these lads their knowledge is first-hand by virtue of having looked Death straight in the eyes and outfaced him. They KNEW! Behind them on foreign shores were many American graves, last resting places of buddies who had made the supreme sacrifice.

It would indeed be strange if the heroes who escaped from the Shadow of the Valley into the blessed, unforgettable sunshine of normal day did not bear traces of the past ordeal of blood, fire and agony. Youth is radiantly resilient, magnificently recuperative. Yet there are tell-tale lines on the brows of many boys who went through the inferno of modern warfare, even those luckily unscathed by physical battle scars, lines that the mere passage of time never etched there.

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YET on the whole a more cheerful devil-may-care bunch of Americans were never limned by the camera than these hardened young warriors who fought their way through hell and out the other side into the paradise of home. Any U. S. Army or Navy officer will tell you that the chief characteristic of American fighting men abroad was their willingness to adapt themselves to prevailing irksome conditions and make the best of it.

The playboy spirit, the love of sport, the defiance to despair when the luck went wrong, the ingrained, reckless habit of jesting at disaster, the fighting courage and aggressiveness—these salient qualities combined to make Uncle Sam's boys unconquerable when an enemy's star was apparently in the ascendant.

Of these qualities, devotion to sport was certainly not the least valuable in the all-important matter of preserving morale. Naturally, there were times when the boys grouched and grumbled, as sailors and soldiers have done since time immemorial. That was but human.

Yet there never was a period during that grim campaign of gore, filth, physical and mental suffering that American fighters failed to take interest in baseball scores of the big leagues or pugilistic happenings, as relayed to them over the radio, or described in newspapers and THE RING Magazine from home.

Nor were they too weary or dispirited to cluster round an impromptu ringside and watch comrades engaged in mimic warfare with the padded mitts. Or take a hand in competition and score knockouts for the honor of their own particular companies.

According to official testimony, that sort of thing proved an invaluable tonic for the armed forces. It is also freely admitted that the shipping of athletic equipment overseas was a boon for which all concerned in the rigorous task of whipping Germans and Japs were duly grateful.

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DURING the First World War, boxing boomed to a hitherto unprecedented height among the Allied forces. But what was then accomplished in that line, sinks into comparative insignificance beside the notable results attained by the widespread use of the gloves as a means of healthful relaxation and spirit-stimulation, before the recent epic struggle ended in splendid victory for us.

There was a steadily concentrated effort made in this country to see that the "tools of the trade" were not lacking for lads in uniform who loved boxing above all other forms of exercise, and thrilled to the call of time and the old ring slogan of—"May the best man win."

In this connection, Mike Jacobs of the Twentieth Century Sporting Club and president of the Sports Service Equipment Fund, rendered yeoman service. His organization of which Abe Greene, president of the National Boxing Association, Leon Rains, chairman of the Pennsylvania Boxing Board, John Hall, New Jersey commissioner, and Gen. Phelan of the New York Commission, are executive officers, furnished thousands of dollars worth of boxing paraphernalia to the armed forces. Contributions raised by this body through a small tax on the gross income of clubs in their jurisdiction, were on a royal scale and were instrumental in procuring much needed supplies of athletic apparatus for soldiers and sailors.

The same is true of Jerry Geisler's California Sports Equipment Fund, which furnished paraphernalia to Pacific Coast camps. Boxing supplies reached camps in the East and West Coast areas through the generosity of public spirited citizens who contributed handsomely to the above mentioned funds.

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BUT as a purveyor of free fistic equipment to the American Army and Navy during the late war, it would be false modesty to conceal the fact that THE RING Magazine, speaking in slang parlance, "stood in a class by itself." The publication's untiring, efficient efforts in this patriotic duty are unitedly acknowledged by all the U. S. fighting services.

Where other sources of equipment supply were receiving and depending upon outside contributions, this publication carried on without seeking or accepting financial aid in any form or manner. It played a lone hand, strictly on its own, a fact well worth remembering in making any survey of practical benefits conferred on their gallant defenders by American citizens.

For example: An average of 3,000 RING Magazines per month were shipped for distribution by the Port of Embarkation on

transports, Coast Guard vessels and to the battle fronts.

Training camp libraries all over the country were furnished gratis with numerous boxing biographies and technical books on pugilism.

An itemized list of boxing merchandise furnished free to the armed forces, as delivered to THE RING by the Everlast Sports Goods Company, through which the orders were shipped, shows that a total of $25,756.80 was spent from the time that the U. S. draft went into effect to the end of the war. Here is a complete list of the equipment furnished to all branches of the services by THE RING Publisher:

187 training bags, 35 pounds each in weight	$3,077.00
362 punching bags	3,077.00
1120 sets of 12-, 14- and 16-ounce boxing gloves	11,200.00
291 sets of 8- and 10-ounce gloves	2,473.50
682 pairs punching bag gloves	1,534.50
1426 skipping ropes	880.40
312 regulation boxing trunks	936.00
482 mouthpieces	289.20
12 gross hand bandages	1,123.20
6 dozen sets special white gloves, autographed by famous fighters, for war bond sales	720.00
13 large white gloves, size 21—2 feet, autographed by famous pugilists, for use in war bond sales	325.00
11 dozen foul-proof cups	462.00
25 silk bathrobes, as gifts for tourney winners	411.50
200 swivels	240.00
Total	$25,756.80

Besides sending gifts to almost every camp in the United States, boxing equipment was sent to Guam, Tarawa, the Philippines, Saipan, the Hebrides, the Carolines, the Marianas, Attu and Siska, Alaska, Hawaii, Panama, Newfoundland, Greenland, Nova Scotia, Iceland, the Bahamas and other bases along the Atlantic Ocean.

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SO much for the financial expenses incurred by THE RING in the bestowal of gifts!

But it would not be fair to the "god in the machine" whose open-handed generosity is thus made manifest, were the subject under discussion to be dismissed without touching upon the physical activities and time spent in his country's cause on the home front by THE RING Editor.

Early in the war Nat Fleischer conceived the idea of compiling an altogether unique form of moving picture entertainment, peculiarly well fitted for the edification of our armed services. This consisted of the highlights of 32 famous fights gathered into famous Queensberry ring battles of the past over a stretch of 50 years. These included knockout rounds showing great champions in action, ranging from the Bill Squires-Tommy Burns battle in which Squires was kayoed in one round, up to the reign of the present cock of the fighting roost, the peerless Joe Louis.

Put together, these thrill-action films, "Kings of the Ring," constituted the most humanly thrilling motion picture ever flashed upon the silver screen. With this totally unprecedented hit of movie showmanship, in addition to many other individual fight films, Fleischer proceeded to cover the training camps *ad lib*, delivering in each chosen spot a short lecture with reference to past pugilistic achievements and ending the show with a boxing quiz. That his shows went over big everywhere the pictures were exhibited goes without saying. GI Joes, Marines and Gobs alike roared themselves hoarse in universal applause of those scenes of gruelling combat between the ropes, especially the Dempsey-Willard fight and the second Louis-Schmeling bout. It was something they could understand and appreciate to the 'steenth degree of wildest enthusiasm.

That the editor covered a lot of territory in carrying out his show-project may be imagined. Let us glance at his itinerary, and remember that his visits to some camps were repeated, by request, half a dozen times. Here is the list of the 168 jumping-off places, in part:

Nova Scotia; Albuquerque, N. M.; Camp Pickett, Virginia; Fortress Munroe, Virginia; Jacksonville Naval Base; Fort Slocum, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Fort Wright, New London, Conn.; Camp Endicott Seabee Base, Rhode Island; Fort Hamilton, New York; Fort Jay, New York.

Miami Naval Base, Miami Beach, Fla.; Fort Harrison, Indiana; Hoffman Island, Staten Island; Ellis Island, N. Y.; Lido Naval Base, Lido Beach, L. I.; Mitchel Field, Long Island; Camp Upton, Long Island.

Pawling Convalescent Camp, Pawling, N. Y.; Fairfield Naval Station Radio School, Fairfield, Conn.; New London Base; Fort Monmouth, New Jersey; Camp Edison, New Jersey; Circle War Plants, Indiana; Fort Dix, New Jersey.

Wichita, Kansas, Air Base; La Guardia Field Air School, New York; Army Air Force Training Command, Paterson, N. J.; Fort Totten, Long Island; Manhattan Beach Coast Guard, New York; Sheepshead Bay Maritime Service, New York; U. S. Maritime Quarters, New York City, N. Y.; Seaman's Branch, Y.M.C.A., New York; New York Induction Center; Jewish Welfare Board, U.S.O., Trenton, N. J.

Negro Army Barracks, New York City; Fort Hancock, New York; Noroton, Conn., Naval Station; Harbor Defense Camp, New York 372nd Infantry, U.S.A., New York City; Atlantic City Air Base, New Jersey; Lido Beach Seabee Base, Long Island.

Edgewood Hospital, Brentwood, L. I.; Brooklyn Naval Hospital, New York City; Fort Jay Regional Hospital, New York; St. Alban's Hospital, Long Island; New Cantonment Hospital, Hempstead, L. I.

Rhodes General Hospital, Utica, N. Y.; Atlantic Overseas Air Service Command; Veterans' Hospital, Bronx, New York City; Fort Lee; Hagerstown American Legion, Indiana; Halloran Hospital, Staten Island; Stark General Hospital; Red Bank U.S.O., Red Bank, N. J.; Hempstead, L. I., U.S.O., Long Island.

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DURING these expeditions here, there, yon and elsewhere, THE RING Editor occasionally soothed his restless spirit by seeking a change of action. Or, to put it plainly, he temporarily vacated his lecture role for the less aesthetic part of third man in the ring.

Versatility may be a blessing or a curse. Which opinion Nat Fleischer inclines to has not been ascertained, but the sober fact remains that he was "roped in"—an apt phrase under the circumstances—seventy-one times for the purpose of having him officiate as referee when sportive service youths were milling each other with the mitts.

It is pleasing to report that while thus busily employed he was never hit by a bottle, brick or any other missile. Whether his immunity to projectiles was due to tolerant forbearance by the spectators, or his well-known agility in the fine art of ducking, remains a pleasing mystery. Suffice it to say that he escaped without a single wound, and believe us, it isn't every seventy-one-battle-degree referee who can tie that record.

A Portland, Me., press dispatch recently quoted Comdr. Gene Tunney to the effect that he hadn't seen a single service boxing prospect he could call outstanding. Fleischer's views regarding service developments in boxing are less pessimistic than those held by the ex-world's heavyweight champion. Says Nat:

"Maybe none of the kids I saw batting away could be rated as likely 'future greats.' But what impressed me was the prevalence of good raw material for possible future development. It seems certain that out of such large numbers of young boxing enthusiasts some will emerge equipped with the ambition and fighting qualities necessary to become pugilistic stars. The Army and Navy environment helped them along a lot in that direction, and it would be very surprising if they shed those ambitions along with their uniforms!"

Soldiers' and sailors' letters poured into THE RING Editor's office in a never-ending stream all through the period of hostilities. They wrote as critics, as appreciative readers, as thankful receivers of equipment gifts, and many of their missives expressed the hope of some day hitting the

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Boxing Contributed Largest Number of Athletes to World War; Suffered Greatest Number of Casualties; Many Were Cited for Exceptional Bravery

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IN a recent article by a national news agency, in which sports' contribution to the World War was reviewed, every sport received its full credit but somehow, the one that contributed the greatest number of athletes, suffered the greatest losses and received as many citations as any other, was ignored. Boxing failed to get any recognition in this article published throughout the country, yet as of August 1, 5511 pugilists were registered as members of the armed forces. This number does not include close to 10,000 amateurs who were inducted from the time the draft went into effect until the war's end was heralded.

Pro and amateur boxing suffered a loss of 203 fighting men who were killed in action and 117 missing in action. In addition, several hundred were wounded. Many lost one or more limbs or eyes. The total casualty list of the boxers ran close to 1000, but despite those figures, boxing received nary a word in the review. Take a glance at the list of killed, missing and maimed.

Among the more prominent men killed on the world-wide battle fronts were Captain Cleffman, Kansas; Lt. Robert Mathias, Washington, D. C.; Indian Joe Rivers, Philadelphia lightweight; Terry Edwards, Philadelphia welterweight; Tony Edwards, San Francisco bantam; Marty Marsela, New York City; Harry Klee, Florida; Eddie Heinzinger, Tuckahoe, N. Y.; Tony Almeida, Bristol, R. I.; Johnny Rogers, Washington, D. C.; John Steinbracher, Virginia; Marty Maisel, New York City; Joe Symelic, New York City; Frankie Arditto, New Jersey; Danny La Verne, California feather; Pat Kissinger, St. Louis; Edmund L. Kissinger, St. Louis.

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ALSO Sgt. Warren Wilson, Nevada; Frank Murphy, Nevada; Sgt. Ralph Sam, Nevada; Irish Johnny Mulroy, Quincy, Mass.; Bill Meggs, Florida; Buddy Thompson, Florida; Andy Callahan, Boston; Gordon Gardiner, Florida; Randy Moore, Mount Vernon middleweight; Lt. John Crow, Texas; Sgt. Wesley Sellers, California lightweight; S/Sgt. Benny Odell, Syracuse middleweight; Eddie Flores, Houston featherweight; Vincent Mascia, Brooklyn welter; Ray Herbert, Chicago; John Mancini, Washington; Glen Kemble, St. Paul feather, and Lester McGowan, Buffalo.

And Lieut. Jimmy Christy, Chicago; William Snell, John Derek, James Cahill; Armand Dascenza, Teaneck, N. J.; Tony Ferrera, Cliff Greenwood, Chester Charcut, Edward Carfagnini, James Swift, Ted Michalik, Alex Antosiak, Chil Carey, Joe Steffan, Sgt. Emmett Jay Longstaff, Nevada; Bill Bommer, Detroit.

Also Harold Bakke, Minneapolis middleweight; Vince Kozak, Boston heavyweight; Dick Goforth, Minneapolis; De Wayne Reckor, Topeka, Kansas; Ernie King, Brooklyn feather; Sgt. Hank Nakamura, Hawaii; Ensign Tony La Scotta, Florida; Pfc. Michael Patrick Gill, California, and Lou Pitts, Pittsburgh.

In addition to Chuck Garcia, Southern California feather; Cpl. Billy Pierce, Milwaukee middleweight; Bud Tibbets, Rosemount, Minn.; Donald De Wayne Brophy, Sioux City middleweight; Irvin J. Red McDonald, Iowa; Pfc. George Clement, St. Louis; Pfc. Griffin Iver, St. Louis; Johnny Flores, Houston, Texas, middleweight, and Pvt. Nicky Wargo, McKees Rock, Pa., bantamweight.

Also Sgt. Oral Eubanks, Kansas City, Mo.; Tony Kid Tortorice, Perry, N. Y.; William Earl Bell, Burlington, N. C.; Donny Jones, Canada and U.S.; Dick Thompson, Al Fine, Jackie Adragna, Carnegie, Pa.; Steve Brody, Iowa; Mel Roberts, Oregon; Kenny Ray, Oregon; and Whitey Kerr, Los Angeles.

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AMONG the missing in action are Lt. Jack Finney, Florida; Arvey Lacelle, New York; Freddie Walsh, Jr., son of the former world lightweight king, an amateur boxer; Capt. Jeff Dickson, Natchez, Miss., world famous promoter; Capt. F. "Cully" Eckstrom, Minneapolis; Lt. Francis J. Meyers, Cleveland; Billy Murray, Hartford; Pfc. Roland P. Lecuyer, Holyoke; S/Sgt. Edward Bailey; Lt. Ted Kara, Idaho; S/Sgt. Anthony Szamocki, Webster, Mass., and Francis Ryan.

Among the injured were Sgt. Barney Ross, Chicago; Jimmy Tygh, Philadelphia; Jimmy K.O. Davis, Philadelphia; Stan Hasrato, Yonkers; Eddie Rooney, Holyoke; Jimmy Eason, Minneapolis; Johnny Rohrig, Clifton, N. J.; Benny Cartegena, New York; Pete Montesi, Brooklyn; Hoshimoa Omeys, Hawaii; Bob Nestell, Hollywood, Calif., and Sgt. Eddie Anderson, Tulsa, Okla., and Kid Francis (Pfc. Francis A. Lessor).

And Johnny Rock, Chicago; Johnny Cook, Florida; Calvin Robinson, Newark; Dan Brouillard, St. Paul; Milton Ontell, Pfc. Giffie Kenvin, Mahoney City, Pa.; Uris Flowers, Arkansas; Henry Ussery, Alabama; Leonard Lopez, Minneapolis; S/Sgt. Joseph Sacca, Pelham Bay; Larry Simmons, Florida; Frank Walinski, Minnesota; Charlie Long, Boston; John Karas, Chicago; Johnny Hutchinson, Philadelphia; Jimmy Early, Minneapolis; Lou Miller, Brooklyn; Jimmy Niddell; Irish Johnny Taylor, Tampa; Don Lee, California; Herbie Hansford, California; Steve Kirby, Philadelphia.

Also Tommy Gomez, Tampa; Mike "Hamburger" Hagen, St. Paul; Ted Morrison, St. Paul; Salvatore Ventimiglia (Sam Venti); Sgt. Wally Hally; Cpl. Neiswager, Jr.; Marshall Red Wills, St. Louis; Bud Cottey, Indianapolis; Allan Small, Indianapolis, and Nelson Collins.

In addition to Jack Lowery, Lakewood, N. J.; John Tucci; Vinnie Rossano, New York; Sgt. Jerry Spero; Pfc. Corn Lube; Lenny Boom Boom Mancini, New York; Sgt. Bill Dircks, Cumberland, Md.; Jimmy Hursey, Florida; Sgt. Clarence Buzz Bradley, Illinois; Lt. Tom Shaugnessey, St. Paul; Marv Wason, St. Paul; Lt. Steve Brody, Kansas; Sgt. Barney Fallica, New York; Stanley Berl; Pete "The Demo" Sinuk; Tino Pappas, New York City.

And Pete Muscarnera, Brooklyn; Mickey Donohue, Pittsburgh; Verle Davis, Chicago; Marine Pvt. George Clement, Jr., St. Louis; Dick Romero, California; Stanley "Berl" Berlicki, New York; Cpl. Arthur T. Lopez, Los Angeles; Pvt. Clyde Farrier, Sunnyside, New York; Miem McKessick; Frankie Lockwood, Cincinnati; Martin Clark, Ned York; Eddie "Mientka" Rooney, Chicago; Cpl. Philip Pelegrino, New York; Jim Herset, North Carolina; Bobby Holt, New York City.

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ACCIDENTAL deaths while in the service: Tommy Tucker, East Rockaway, New York; Tabby Romero, Oklahoma; Johnny Yarosz, Pittsburgh; Elby Pettaway, Houston; Ralph McGahagan, Jacksonville; 1st Sgt. Karl Thomas Willy (Tommy Ryan), Southern lightweight.

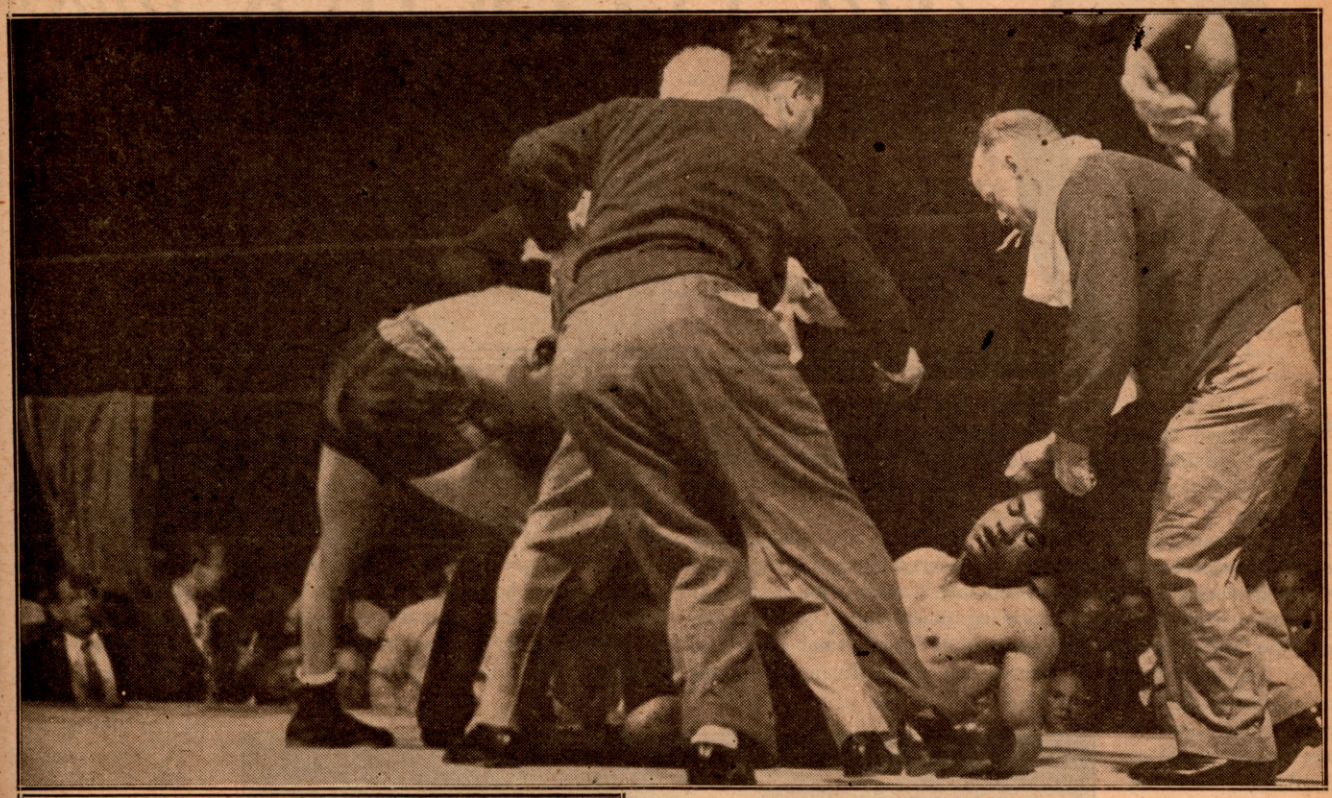
Among the boxing writers killed were Meyer Ackerman, who met death in a jeep accident in Germany, and Sgt. Vic Ephrem, killed in action in Italy. Both were members of THE RING staff.

Among those decorated for meritorious service are:

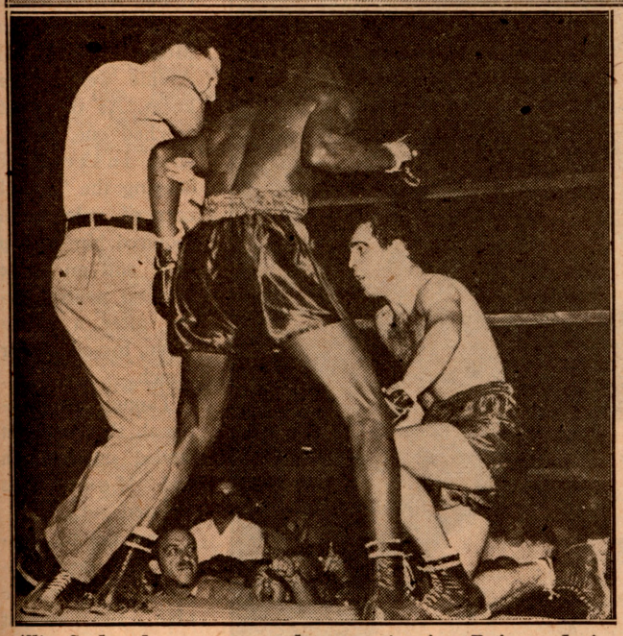
Lt. Sonny Walker and Cpl. Sanford Forbes, distinguished service cross; Bud Cottey, Silver Star; Major Buddy Howard, Silver Star; Byron Whizzer White, Bronze Star Medal; Lt. Steve Brody, Silver Star; Sgt. Curley Richardson, Silver Star; Capt. Vincent A. Spinelli, Legion of Merit; K.O. Johnny Janic, Congressional Medal of Honor; Barney Ross, Distinguished Service Medal; Cpl. Johnny Gates, cited for bravery.

The above constitutes only a portion of the honored list in boxing. When the history of World War No. II is written, the heroic deeds of our professional and amateur boxers will occupy a bright spot in the historic data. On the whole, the boxers shone in every branch of the armed forces.

THRILLING MOMENTS *in* RECENT BOUTS

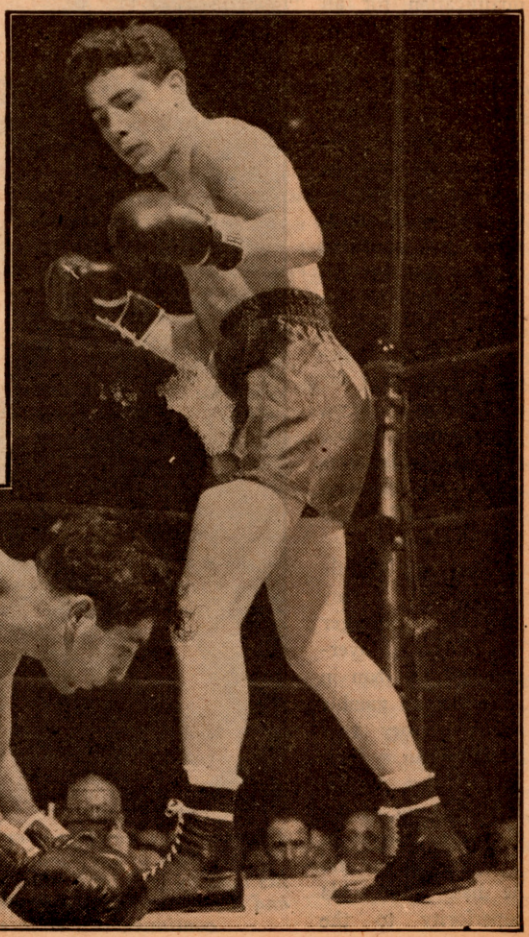


Jose Basora, Puerto Rican middleweight, lies helpless on the canvas in Madison Square Garden ring after taking an unmerciful licking from Jake LaMotta, Bronx battler. Referee Johnny Burns called a halt after Basora sagged to the floor.



Allie Stolz, down on one knee, waits for Referee Irving Kutcher to get Wesley Mouzon to a neutral corner after being downed in the tenth round of their Philly bout. Stolz won.

Tony Janiro stands over Johnny Greco after Johnny went down in the first round of their Garden tilt.



Nat FLEISCHER says:

"No-foul" Rule Requires Some Revamping

Should Not Protect Hitting After Bell

Or Those Hitting a Boxer Who Is Floored

THE knockout of Archie Moore by Jimmy Bivins in their recent Cleveland bout has raised the oft-repeated question whether a fighter may be disqualified under the no-foul rule. Our answer to that query is an emphatic yes.

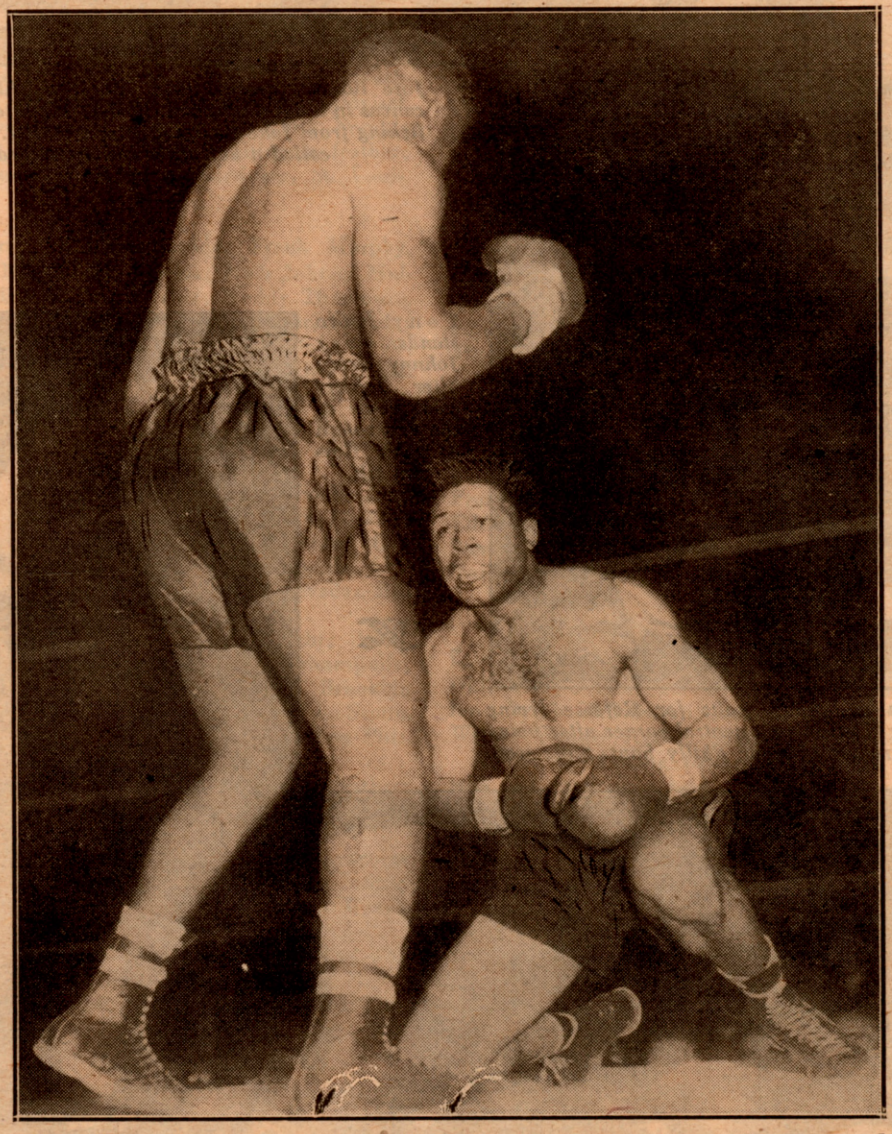
The no-foul rule never was intended for other than action executed prior to a knockdown and refers only to hitting below the belt during such activity. Fouling a man who is already temporarily out of action by being down does not come under the no-foul rule which protects the perpetrator of a foul from disqualification. The referee may disqualify a fighter for a major foul, repeated violation of the rules, refusal to heed the referee's cautions in re the use of the rabbit, backhand and kidney punches, heeling and gouging.

If the no-foul rule is to act as a protection against disqualification for all types of fouls, then what is going to prevent wholesale hitting after a fighter is dropped to the canvas or after the bell has sounded for the end of a round when an opponent realizes that through such medium he can weaken his man to a point where he becomes easy prey for a legitimate kayo, yet all the offender can lose while preparing his opponent for "the kill" is the loss of a round?

There can be little doubt that Jimmy Johnston, manager of Moore, overmatched his man in an effort to gamble on a victory that would mean a little fortune for Archie. Archie is one of the cleverest boxers in the game today and he has proved his superiority to the cream of his division, but ever since he started boxing, he has shown that he cannot take a stiff punch on the jaw. Hence pitting him against one of the outstanding heavyweights, who had a margin of 17½ pounds on him—186 to 168½—a heavyweight with a good wallop, put Moore and Johnston on the spot.

Moore lost by a knockout after 36 seconds of the fifth round, but the fact remains that, according to the rules of boxing, he should have been declared the winner on a disqualification in the second round when Bivins committed a major foul.

He lost only because the referee, Jackie Davis, erred. Jackie misinterpreted the no-foul rule and so did the boxing commission and the judges who backed him up.



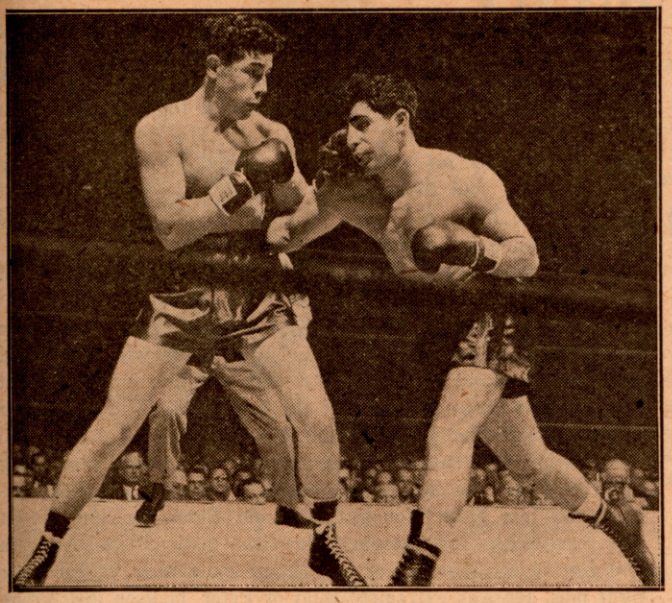
Jimmy Bivins standing over Archie Moore after dropping him in the second round of their bout in Cleveland. A few seconds after this photo was taken, Jimmy fouled his man by landing another blow on the chin of Moore while Archie was still down and Moore was knocked cold. He was given a five-minute rest, after which the bout continued and Archie was stopped a second time in the sixth round.

In the second round, Bivins landed a right flush on Moore's chin and Archie went to his knees. As the count reached one, Bivins, who, instead of obeying the "neutral corner" rule which required him to step back and go to the farthest neutral corner after a knockdown, tossed another punch.

Though not intentional, that uppercut landed on the chin and Moore was counted out.

The doleful decimal had been completed and then came the announcement that Referee Davis, with the sanction of the commission, had ordered a five-minute rest for Moore, after which the bout was to be resumed with 29 more seconds of the round to go, and then, if Archie were not knocked out, Bivins would lose the round.

In the half-minute remaining of the unfinished session, Moore was so weak even after his rest that he was downed for another nine-



An action shot in the fourth round of the return bout between Johnny Greco and Tony Janiro, showing the rushing style of the Canadian and the straight, stand-up, clever style of Tony, a sharp-shooter and accurate hitter.

count, but came back strong in the third round to cut both of Bivins' eyes. Archie won the fourth easily, but that second round kayo wallop took its toll and in the fifth Archie had shot his bolt. He was on the canvas twice in the fifth and the end came in 38 seconds of the sixth frame. Critics figured that Moore's only chance to beat Bivins would be to remain the distance and outpoint him. Judging by his showing in the third and fourth, he might have succeeded had he not been fouled out in the second. He has turned the trick on other heavy hitters before.

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THOUGH there is a precedent in Cleveland for such a decision as was rendered by Referee Davis, it is contrary to the rules of boxing. Davis insisted that the Cleveland rules prohibit a fighter from winning on a foul and pointed to the fight between Leroy Jackson and Ted Christie last winter in which Christie, the victim, like Moore, was given a rest and later was knocked out, but he failed to take note of the fact, as he should have, that a knockout suffered by a blow struck while a boxer is down for a count, constitutes a major foul, subjecting the perpetrator to disqualification.

But in New York, where the no-foul rule originated, Referee Donovan and Referee Bill Cavanagh have disqualified a fighter either for deliberately fouling or for hitting after a knockdown was scored, their decisions being based on violation of the rules of sportsmanship or repeated warnings. In Baltimore a few years ago a fight was halted and the boxer who hit an opponent while down was disqualified, though the no-foul rule is in effect there as in Cleveland.

In Philadelphia a few weeks ago, on September 10, Referee Irving Kutcher, Pennsylvania's best official, didn't hesitate to disqualify Jackie Floyd in the first round after Jackie had floored Frankie Carto for the second time and had struck him again while Frankie was taking a count. Carto slumped into the ropes helpless, and at the count of three, Kutcher declared Carto the winner on a major foul, a proper decision. Though the state commission has a no-foul rule as in Cleveland, such rule, in the judgment of Referee Kutcher, backed by a previous ruling of the commission, does not hold good when major fouls are committed. Had Carto been unhurt by the punch, the referee might have only taken the round away from Floyd.

Striking low unintentionally may be condoned, but hitting a man when he is down deserves more severe punishment than the loss of a round. If Cleveland's interpretation of the no-foul rule means that a fighter may be hit while down and that the offender only may be penalized the loss of the round, then it is high time that a clause be added making it mandatory on the part of the referee to disqualify the offender.

The no-foul rule was placed on the books to prevent fouls during the action of a fight and it has worked well in all states where it was adopted. Prior to the enactment of that rule by James A. Farley, chairman of the New York commission, many bouts had ended when claims of foul were made. In the majority of cases, little damage had been inflicted and the claimants took the easiest way out to win after being outclassed.

The Farley rule halted this and it has served its purpose over many years. At no time, however, has the rule ever protected an offender who kicked an opponent, hit one after he had been floored or used gouging tactics. They don't come under the no-foul rule. Al Bummy Davis learned that in his Garden bout with Fritzie Zivic. They come under the rule pertaining to sportsmanship and gross violations call for disqualification.

In Massachusetts and Pennsylvania, in addition to New York and Maryland, fighters have been disqualified for fouls regardless of the no-foul rule. The fights were stopped and the victims awarded the decisions on disqualification.

It behooves every boxing commission that has the no-foul rule to add a clause to that rule explaining that hitting an opponent when he is down, hitting after the bell, kicking an opponent, biting or gouging will merit disqualification. Otherwise we are likely soon to have an epidemic of blows struck when a fighter is on the canvas and hitting after the bell has sounded.

If the no-foul rule is interpreted as it was in Cleveland, then a boxer who struck his opponent a vicious blow after the bell and knocked him cold, would either win the fight by this foul means or would merely be penalized a round while the stricken opponent would be given a few minutes' rest. Suppose the victim couldn't continue, what would the verdict then be? Would the Cleveland commission decide that since it has the no-foul rule and the victim is so helpless following the landing of the haymaker after the round had ended that he cannot continue, he must lose the fight via the knockout route?

It doesn't make sense. The referee has the power to disqualify a fighter for various offenses, and all fouls other than hitting low during a round should be included in that category.

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IN the return Cochrane-Graziano bout, for the second time within two months the champ of the welterweight division, giving away nine pounds to the hardest socking fighter, weight-for-weight, in the sport today, again was halted in the tenth and final session, this time with only 23 more seconds to go. In chalking up his fifth consecutive kayo in a Garden bout, Graziano floored the champ eight times in the last two rounds before Referee Benny Leonard called a halt. The referee counted once when Freddie was against the ropes.

The sorrel-topped former gob gave as game an exhibition as has been seen in a Garden ring in many moons and had he not given away so much weight, he might have turned the tables on his rival, though I had the score five to three for Rocky at the end of the eighth. Spotting a "killer" such as The Rock nine pounds is more than Cochrane could undertake. He received a terrific shellacking in the last two sessions and when carried to his corner, he was in such a daze he had to remain more than five minutes before he could be fully revived. As he tried to get to his feet to leave the ring, his legs fairly buckled under him and he had to be supported.

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IT was in the seventh round that Cochrane felt the full force of impact of the Dead End Kid's powerful fists and the spectators then began to realize that the end was in sight. A mighty right-hand wallop tagged Freddie's chin, then came two lefts that snapped his head back and the bell came to the champ's rescue.

The following round found Rocky wild, with many of his haymakers striking the wind instead of the target, so eager was he to finish his man, but in the ninth, the real fireworks were on view. He tagged Freddie with a powerful left hook midway

through the round and spilled him for a count of nine. A right followed and this time Cochrane again went down for the same count. Cochrane seemed all but helpless as he staggered to his feet to face the young "killer," as the Dead End Kid came rushing in for the finishing blows. At this point, Willie Gilzenberg, manager of the champ, had reached the apron of the ring, where he stood and yelled at Referee Leonard to stop Graziano from choking Cochrane. The Rock, in an effort to measure his man for the final wallop, stretched out his right at arm's length and held it against the throat of Freddie, so that the Jerseyite apparently couldn't catch his breath.

In the fury of combat, this seems to be a method employed by The Rock to steady the target, though it is a violation of the rules.

That Cochrane survived that round of vicious fighting was miraculous and at the sound of the bell, Gilzenberg leaped over the ropes and rushed at Leonard. He berated him for permitting such tactics while the majority of the crowd, a typically Graziano rooting assembly, booed the champ's mentor. Gilzenberg, Babe Culnan, co-manager of Cochrane, and Jimmy Wilde, trainer, worked feverishly to bring the champion out to face the fireworks sure to follow in the tenth and last session, but the best they could do was not sufficient to keep Freddie from receiving a shellacking that ended in the knockout.

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THE round got under way with Freddie on the canvas again in a jiffy. The glassy-eyed former gob seemed determined to go the route as he got up from a nine-count and looked at the clock, but Rocky again rocked Freddie flat on his back. He lay stretched out like a pancake and it didn't seem possible he would get to his feet, yet he did!

He was up at nine and again looked at the clock on the Garden wall. He tried to get into a clinch but the Dead End Kid didn't give him a chance. With a sneer on his face and "murder" in his heart, he set sail for the finish with all he had.

He battered the champ into the ropes and then a murderous right put him down again for nine for the fourth time. The referee had no intention of halting the bout if he could prevent it, for he comes from the old school that believed in a champion either going the route or being halted by the fists of his opponent, and he stuck to this procedure as long as he could without having a fatality on his hands.

As the champ tried to step out of range of the rapid-fire attack by running backward, Rocky caught him with a right that knocked Freddie halfway across the ring. He went down with a thud and lay unconscious. He was out cold and it was then that Leonard stepped in and called a halt. Five downs for a count of nine in the final session was more than even Benny Leonard could stand.

That Cochrane put up a game, courageous battle couldn't be denied, but he was overmatched. He should not have been asked to give away so much weight against a tough, two-fisted little fighting demon, who has been dubbed a second "Stanley Ketchel."

Regardless of that shellacking and the one he suffered previously, those who saw Cochrane's performance won't forget his game stand. He has proved that he deserves a far better rating from the sports writers than what they have given him in the past.

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ONE by one, the Grim Reaper is taking from our midst men who linked the bare-knuckle period with the gloves era. The death on September 3 in San Francisco of Johnny L. Herget, known in fistic circles of the romantic past as "Young Mitchell," removed one of the greatest middleweights of the eighties and nineties, a fighter who went undefeated in an era when bouts were clandestine, men fought with the bare knuckles or with skintight gloves, and the regulation glove era was just coming into popularity. Herget fought from 1884 to 1895, when he went into retirement after laying claim to the middleweight crown as a result of a knockout victory over the famed George La Blanche, who previously had kayoed Nonpareil Jack Dempsey.

In 1938, at the age of 70, he was given a banquet by the 365 Club of San Francisco, and at that affair, California's leading figures, including a dozen or more judges and the San Francisco mayor, honored him. He was the son of the pioneer gunsmith of the Golden West, John Herget, and first took up fisticuffs at Harry Maynard's Gym at the age of 15. His decision was met with disfavor by his parents, who looked upon prize fighting as a disgrace, and though they urged him to quit, he refused and took the name of Young Mitchell, in honor of the famed British champion, Charley Mitchell.

In 1885 he knocked out Jack Keenan in 35 rounds and laid claim to the American featherweight crown.

In 1887 he went to Australia with Buffalo Costello and there engaged in a campaign that resulted in nine victories and wound up in the knockout of Barney Donovan in four rounds. His first bout brought about the kayo of the great Billy Murphy in four rounds, a feat that surprised the Australians.

Following his return to America, most of Australia's leading fighters decided to invade this country, among them Bob Fitzsimmons, Jem Hall, Young Griffo and Peter Jackson. Herget was responsible for bringing American fisticuffs to Australia and getting the Australians in turn to show their wares to our fight fans. He was extremely fond of Peter Jackson and became a trainer and referee for him.

In the early nineties he took a trip East with "Let 'er go" Billy Jordan, the famous announcer. None of the Eastern middleweights would do business with Young Mitchell, so he returned home and went into business.

George LaBlanche, the Marine, had astonished the "Fancy" by knocking out the Nonpareil Jack Dempsey with the outlawed LaBlanche swing. Young Mitchell finally forced the Marine into a San Francisco ring and avenged his friend, Jack, by knocking out LaBlanche in twelve rounds and Mitchell laid claim to the title.

His last important fight was for a $5000 purse at the old Occidental Club of San Francisco, where he disposed of Reddy Gallagher of Denver in 13 rounds, and none other than Peter Jackson counted the fatal ten, and Jack Dempsey swung the towel for Johnny.

Jack and John then went on a tour of the country, taking on all comers, with John doing double duty, due to the illness of Dempsey.

"Young Mitchell" had now spent ten years expounding the noble art of self-defense to the best men of his weight in the Queensberry world and had never been defeated. He retired on his well-earned laurels in 1893 and "Young Mitchell" became Mr. John L. Herget in the business life of his native city.

He served with distinction as a member of the Board of Supervisors and later entered the employ of the city, in which he rose to an important executive position from which he later was honorably retired.

Throughout his long career, John L. Herget lived according to the rules of the game. In the Queensberry realm his reputation was spotless, which won for him the respect of his opponents and the admiration of his friends.

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THE release of Marty Servo, star welterweight of pre-war times, gives to boxing another ace for the fall and winter fistic campaign. Servo, who has been with the Coast Guard since June, 1942, was one of the outstanding members of his division at the time of his enlistment. He lost a tough ten-rounder to Ray Robinson on September 25, 1942, and another in the Garden on May 28 of the following year, his last battle as a civilian. Prior to that he scored a ten-round victory over Lew Jenkins in Philadelphia and in each contest he thrilled the spectators with his splendid exhibition.

Now that the welter class has gained a number of first-class battlers, Servo should have no difficulty getting several lucrative matches considering his previous ability. The Schenectady, N. Y., fighter, a cousin of Lou Ambers, who, like Marty, was recently discharged from the Coast Guard, intends to go after the top-notchers, and with Al Weill as his manager, he won't find that a tough job. It won't be long now

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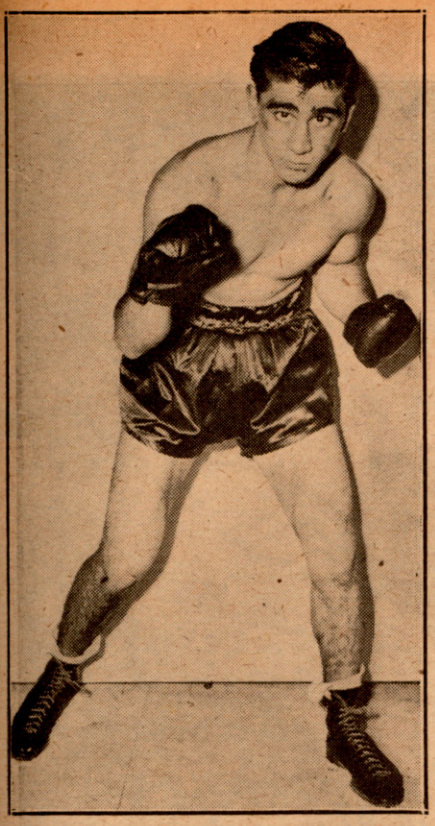


Danny Martin, former gob, who expects to win many bouts as a pro welterweight.

DANNY MARTIN

DANNY MARTIN, still in his teens, defeated several topnotch welterweights prior to joining the colors, and he should be going places now that he's been honorably discharged from the Navy. At 20, the ex-gob is the right age to get started again on a boxing career. With the ring experience he gathered as a simon-pure, in which he had won the Golden Gloves lightweight title two years ago, and as a pro during 1943 and '44, Martin should, after a few warm-up fights, make it interesting for the welterweights.

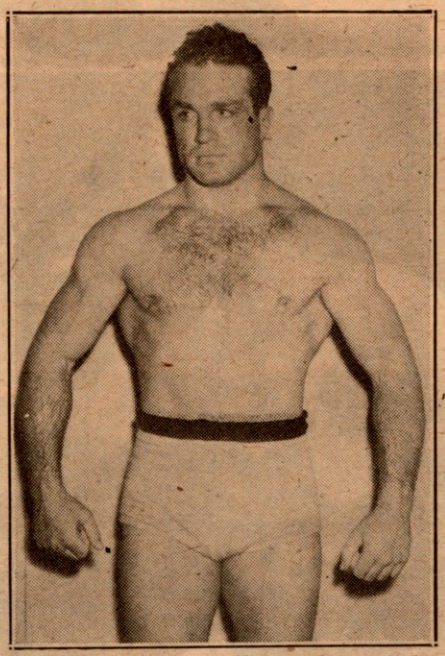
Danny began tossing punches at ring opponents after he graduated from high school in Newark, N. J. Though only a youngster, he defeated a good number of seasoned fighters. Among the boxers he fought are: Doug Carter, Tony Riccio, Freddie Graham, Leroy Saunders, Coolidge Miller, Tony Grey, Mathew Smith and Jimmy Green, all of whom he whipped. Although Martin lost to Harold Green, now an outstanding welter, he gave the Brownsville Hebrew a terrific eight-round battle before a capacity house in Newark.

Danny was stopped by Jimmy Green, due to a cut eye, but in a return battle, he put the snore on his rival.

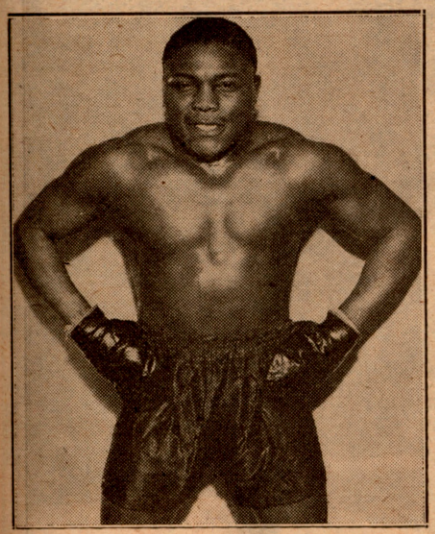
Danny is a fast, interesting type of fighter. He has a swift left jab and shoots snappy rights. Martin is particularly adept at infighting. He keeps his foes busy by alternating his attacks from head to body.

Danny Martin's popularity in the state of New Jersey is amazing. He packs 'em in whenever he performs.

Danny has joined the Tippy Larkin stable. Mooksy Daniels, who had charge of Martin before the fighter joined the Navy, will resume handling Martin in the gym, while Angelo Pucci will look after the business end. By the time you read this in THE RING Magazine, Mooksy will have put Martin in good condition, ready to battle any of the top-ranking welterweights. Pucci has already begun to line up opponents for the ex-gob.



Fitzie Fitzpatrick, rated second best light-heavyweight by THE RING. *Fitzie, former Clevelander campaigning in California, has an excellent record. A fight with Gus Lesnevich or Archie Moore is what Fitzie seeks.*



Aaron Tiger Wade, California middleweight, now campaigning under Charley Cook's direction in the East.

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GEORGE "SUGAR" COSTNER

GEORGE "SUGAR" COSTNER, Cincinnati's lanky string bean Negro welterweight, is making a fine comeback following his K.O. at the hands of Ray Robinson and Jake LaMotta. Costner is right back on the beam and again "scorching" the top welterweights around the Middle West.

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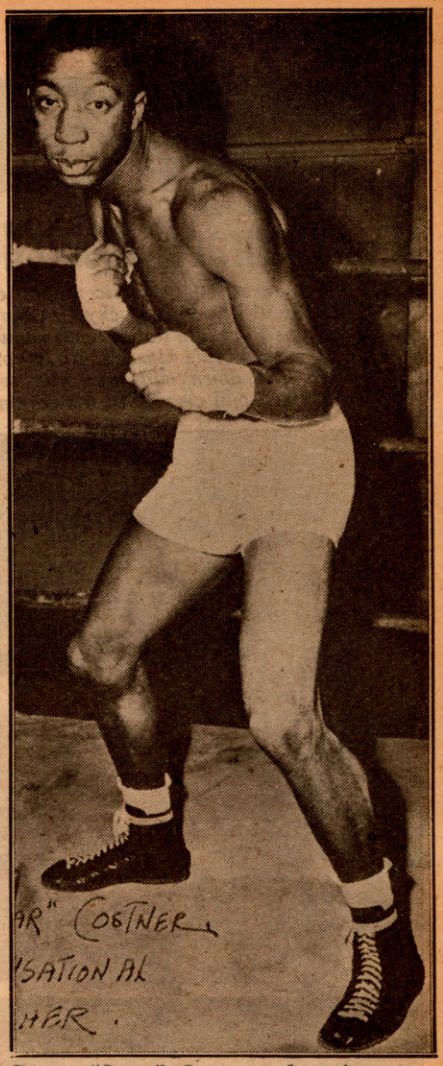
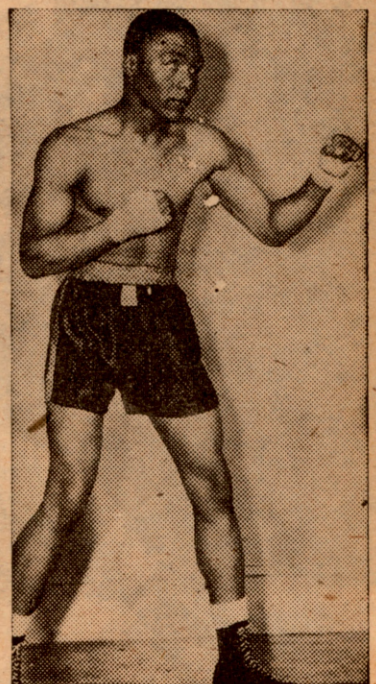


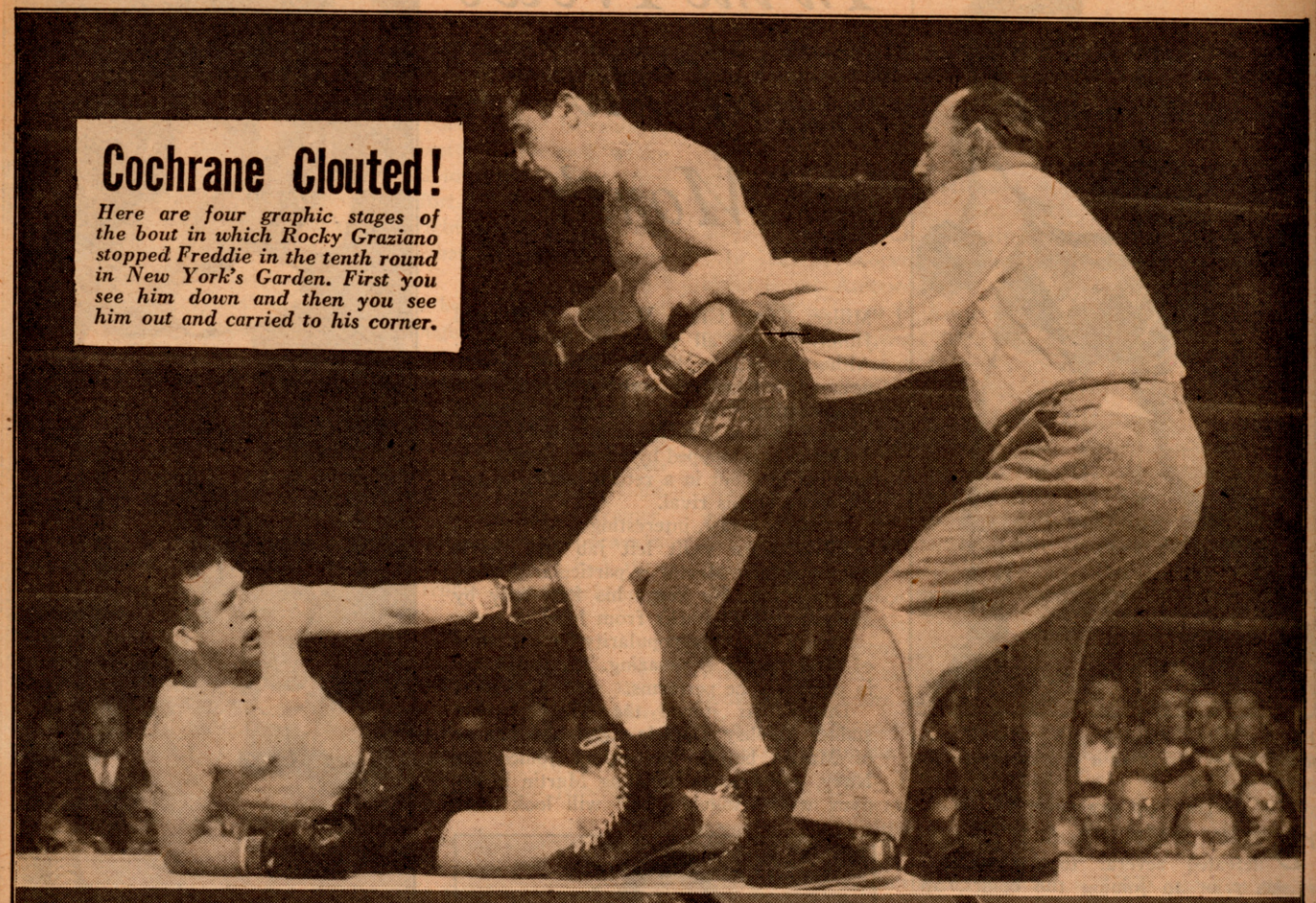
George "Sugar" Costner, who, after a severe setback, is rolling up victories again.

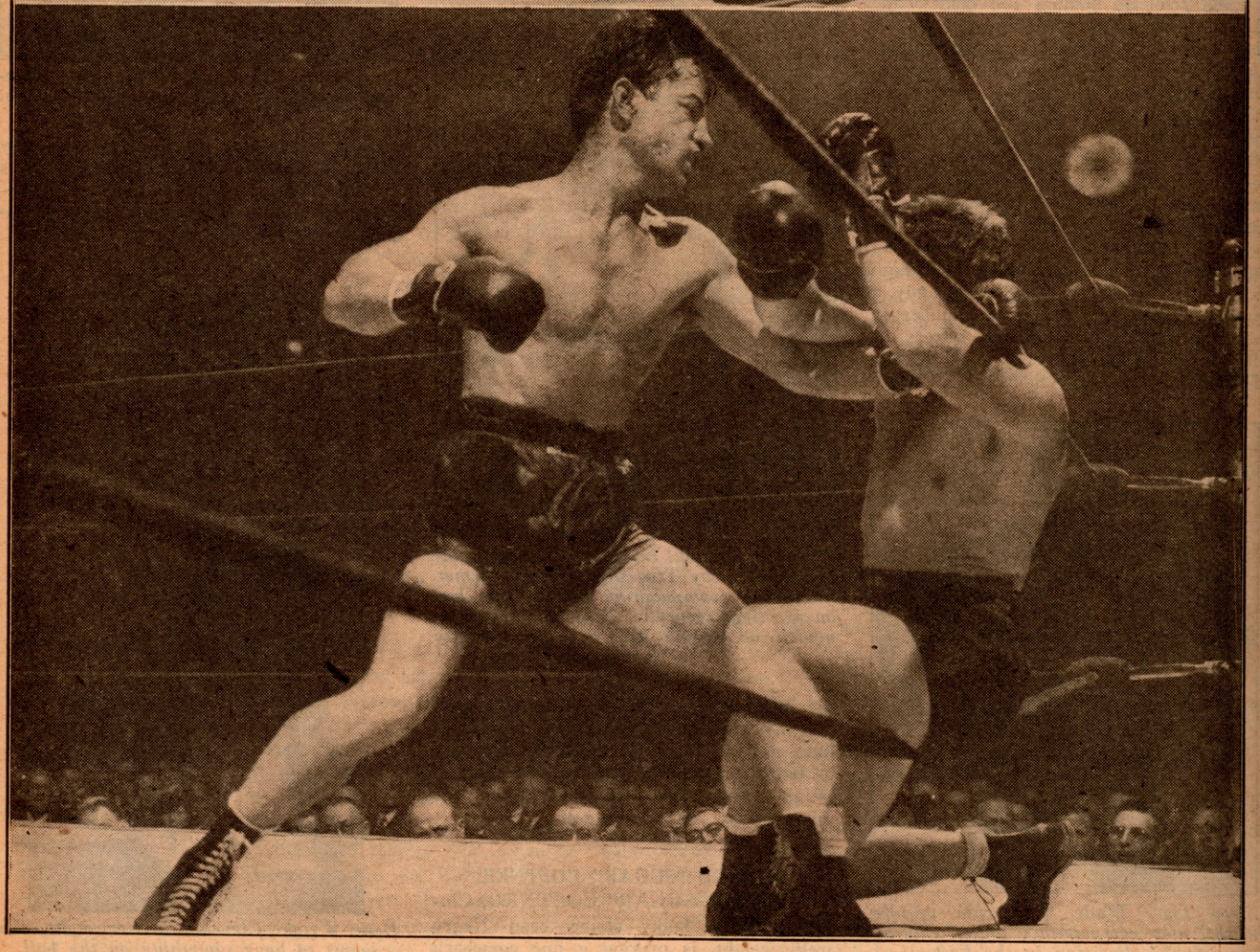


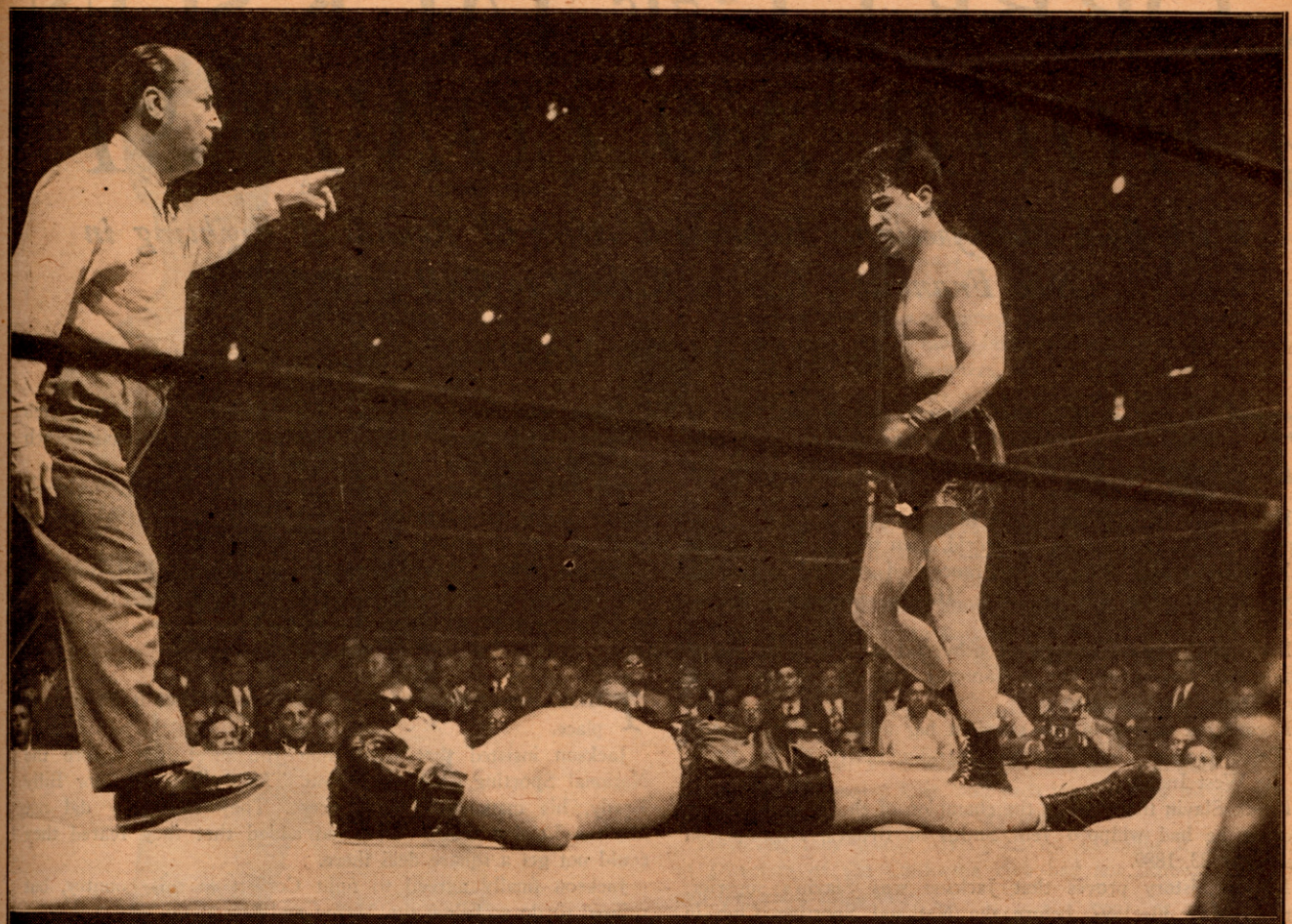
Berry Wright, Cleveland welterweight, who seems to have something on the ball.

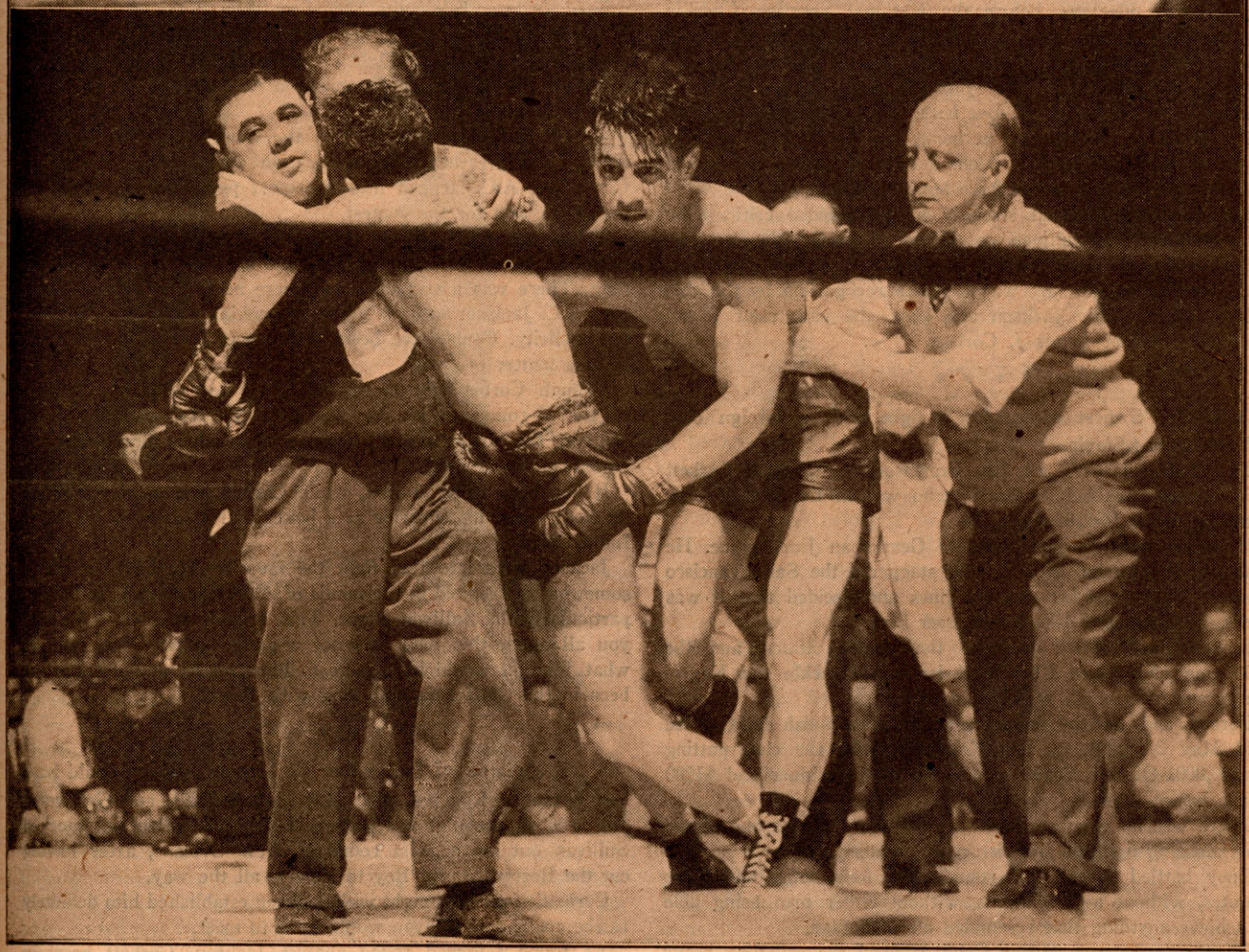
Cochrane Clouted!

Here are four graphic stages of the bout in which Rocky Graziano stopped Freddie in the tenth round in New York's Garden. First you see him down and then you see him out and carried to his corner.









CORBETT *vs.* JACKSON
4 HOUR "NO CONTEST"

With Both Heavyweights Exhausted After 61 Rounds of Fighting in San Francisco, Referee Refused to Call It Draw

By DANIEL M. DANIEL

THE year is 1891. Our national pace is not quite so hectic as it is today. It is the age of horse cars, gold toothpicks, bustles—and heavyweight fights over the marathon distance.

1891! John L. Sullivan is the heavyweight champion of the United States. They say of the world, even though his 39-round fight with Charley Mitchell in France had resulted in nothing more decisive than a draw. And Mitchell outweighed pounds and pounds.

1891! Sullivan is fat and paunchy, taking life easy. He is fading out. Coming up fast is James J. Corbett, one-time bank clerk from San Francisco.

Recognized as one of the standout big fighters of the world is Peter Jackson, Negro from Australia, native of St. Croix in the West Indies.

Frank Slavin thinks he is the champion of the British Empire because he had whipped Jem Smith in Bruges, Belgium, on December 23, 1889.

Boxing history proves that Jackson was Slavin's superior, for on May 30, 1892, before the National Sporting Club in London, Peter stopped the Sydney Cornstalk in the tenth round.

Now, then, back to 1891, and the boxing picture. Neither Corbett, the American, nor Jackson, the Negro from the Antipodes, was a champion. But both were powerful contenders. With all of his jammer about being willing to meet anybody in the world, Sullivan had taken good care not to get mixed up with Jackson, who could have boxed him into knots.

Jackson was supported strongly by fair-minded critics who were confident that Sullivan was afraid of the big Negro.

Corbett was shouting lustily for a chance at the championship, and decided that one sure way to force recognition by the title holder was to whip Jackson and leave the path clear of all challengers except James J. Corbett.

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CORBETT'S first choice for a fight with a foreign contender was Slavin.

The California A.C. of San Francisco, with which Corbett was connected, cabled to Slavin, who was in London, offering flattering terms for the fight.

However, Slavin wanted none of Gentleman Jim's game. He cabled back financial demands that staggered the San Francisco officials. They read between the lines and decided that it was useless to attempt to lure Slavin over here.

Jackson had started back to the United States, and the California club asked Corbett if he would tackle the Negro. He agreed.

Corbett and Jackson signed articles for a finish fight to be held May 21, 1891, at San Francisco, with the club putting up $10,000. Of this, $8500 was to go to the winner and $1500 to the loser.

There was no winner; there was no loser. It was one of the most amazing fights in the history of pugilism.

They battled through 61 rounds, for four hours and three minutes, without a knockdown, without either man being able to achieve anything that resembled an advantage.

Finally the referee, Hiram Cook, stopped the gruelling battle and declared it "No contest."

There being neither winner nor loser, the California club thought it was doing the magnanimous when it handed each fighter $2500 and kept the rest of the $10,000 purse.

There was a clamor for a return fight. Corbett had resented Cook's action in stopping the long scrap, and insisted that in another battle he would stop the Australian.

Jackson, who had welcomed the cessation of hostilities and had sunk into his corner thoroughly exhausted, with a leg injury, to boot, was quite willing to take Corbett on again.

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THEY signed papers for a return match, but it never took place.

Jackson insisted that Gentleman Jim meet him before the National Sporting Club in London. This neither Jim nor Billy Brady, his manager, would accept. They said they did not like the London club's rules, and added that they feared they could not get a square deal there.

Jackson finally agreed to fight Corbett in this country, but refused to do so below the Mason and Dixon line.

A club in Jacksonville, Fla., wanted the fight. In fact, Corbett was to meet Charley Mitchell there in 1894 and stop him in the third round. A new organization in Dallas, Tex., also was making offers.

"I will not fight anywhere in the South," Jackson kept insisting, and presently an organization calling itself the Sioux City (Ia.) A.C. stepped into the sport pages with an offer to put up $25,000 for the contest.

Things were getting warm. But they chilled immediately, the mayor of Sioux City announcing that he would not permit the fight. There was a suspicion that there never had been a Sioux City A.C. Jackson accused Brady of cooking up the whole thing for publicity. Could have been. Brady was a shrewd man. Still is, as a matter of fact.

Though Corbett got no more money and official credit out of the 61-rounder with Jackson than the Negro was able to achieve, the draw actually was a tremendous boost for the American.

It had been believed that, while Corbett was a clever artist, he would meet his superior as a boxer and a hitter in the West Indies Negro.

Jackson went into that fight the favorite. He came out of it somewhat discredited in the minds of American boxing followers, particularly the Sullivan clique. That brigade shouted, "We told you all along this man was not a great fighter. You can see what John L. would have done to him had he and not Corbett been in the California club ring with Peter."

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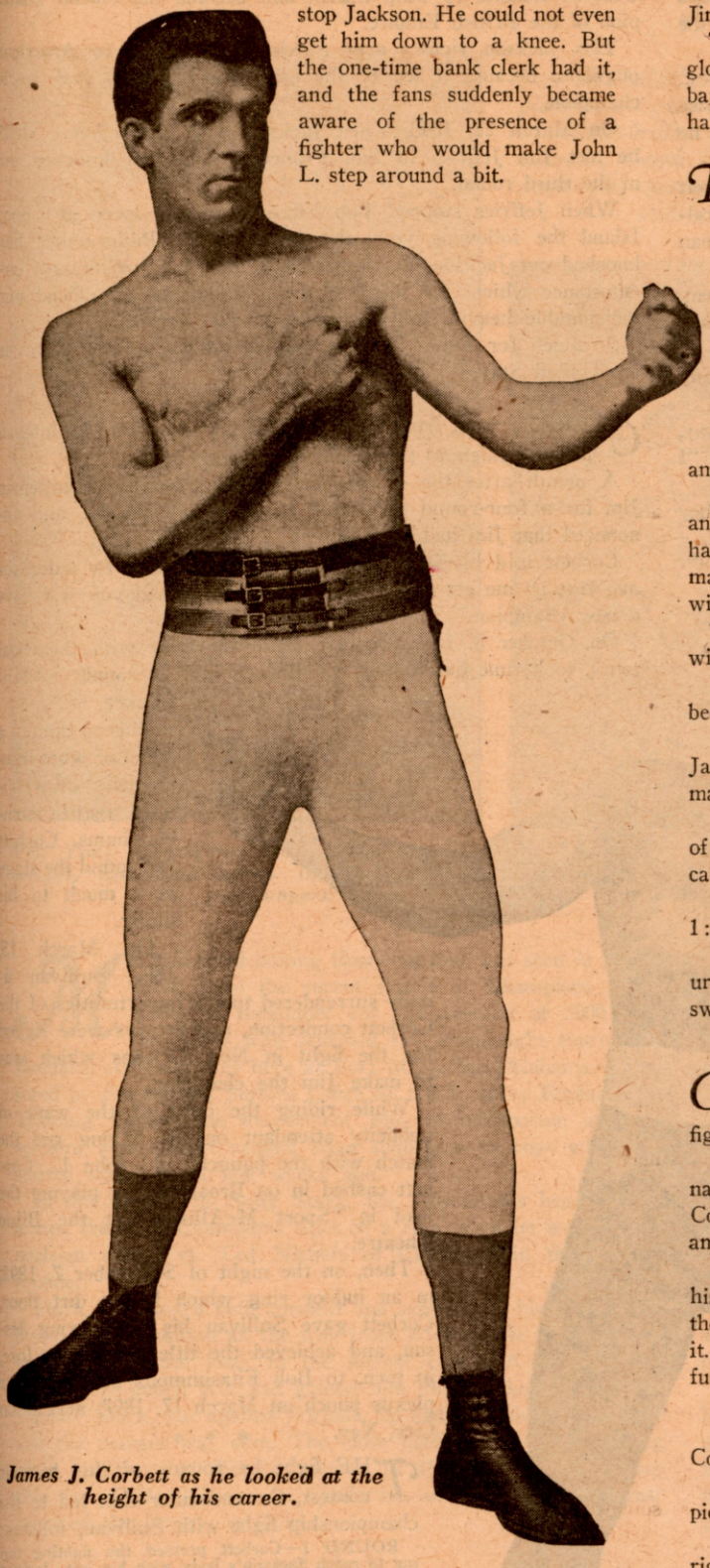
AS a matter of fact, either Corbett or Jackson could have trounced John L. that May night in 1891, and Gentleman Jim was to prove it on September 7, 1892, when he knocked Sullivan out in the 21st round at New Orleans, after having cut the Boston Strong Boy to ribbons all the way.

Corbett's four-hour fight with Jackson established him definitely as the contender Sullivan would have to meet.

As round followed round against Jackson, Corbett grew in stature as a boxer, as a hitter, as a campaigner.



James J. Corbett as he looked at the height of his career.

To be sure, Jim could not stop Jackson. He could not even get him down to a knee. But the one-time bank clerk had it, and the fans suddenly became aware of the presence of a fighter who would make John L. step around a bit.

In many ways, the Corbett-Jackson draw was the most remarkable exhibition of fistic skill of the glove era.

Every trick of the science, every wile, every bit of craft and cunning ever seen in a roped arena was on display that May night.

Surprisingly enough, Corbett turned out the better hitter, Jackson the slightly superior craftsman.

Jackson had suffered an accident which had retarded his training. Perhaps it had had something to do with his form against Corbett. Peter was thrown out of a buggy when his horse bolted and had to keep to his bed for a couple of weeks.

Late in April, Jackson began to prepare for the fight. He was 30, Corbett 25.

Jackson was a fine physical specimen, weighing 198 pounds. Jim tipped the beam at 182.

The battlers wore five ounce gloves, without bandages. The glove era was yet in its infancy. Sullivan had won his title with bare knuckles. The practice of protecting the hands with bandages had yet to gain vogue.

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THIS great engagement—at least the first half of it was Homeric—was witnessed by a select crowd of what in those days were called "sports." There were just 500 of them.

Most of the onlookers felt that Corbett had overreached himself and pitied Brady for a sucker match. There was considerable Jackson money at 1 to 3. However, the Dwyer brothers, who owned a race track in New York, sent quite a wad of dough to San Francisco to bet on the American. The Dwyers were uncanny callers of the turn.

In the Corbett corner were John Donaldson, Billy Delaney and Harry Corbett.

Jackson was looked after by Sam Fitzpatrick, Billy Smith and Billy Fields. The last named was the bottle holder. Fields had a blacksmith's shop in San Francisco, to which Peter had made it a habit to come almost every day for a few swings with the sledgehammer to toughen his biceps.

The rounds were of the regulation three minutes duration, with one minute rests.

For two hours, it was a contest the like of which had not been seen anywhere.

Then it became a waiting match. Corbett had hurt a hand, Jackson had injured a knee, and each was waiting for the other man's injury to force him to cry quits.

However, they would have gone on all night if the Board of Directors of the California club had not ordered Cook to call the whole thing off.

The fight started promptly at nine o'clock. It was ended at 1:03 in the morning.

When they left the ring they were singularly free of disfigurements, especially for so long a contest. Their lips were swollen but they had no cuts or abrasions.

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CORBETT'S specialty was a left hook to the stomach. He had done things with this blow especially for the Jackson fight, and Peter had not counted on it in building his defense.

Jackson used a right-hander with telling effect. He had a nasty habit of placing it in the pit of the stomach. After a time Corbett got the hang of this punch and got away from it with amazing success.

When the fight started, Corbett went after Jackson with his left, but Peter stopped him short with a hard right over the heart. Jackson had the longer reach and was making use of it. Corbett got hold of the Australian's body and when he refused to let go, the fans, strangely enough, hissed the Native Son.

Incidentally, it was as fair a crowd as ever has seen a fight.

The first one belonged to Jackson, but the second went to Corbett, who landed a couple to the Negro's heart.

It was even-Stephen in the third and in the fourth, the fight picked up tempo as both really went to work.

Corbett scored in close, but Jackson landed heavily with a right to the jaw. Jim punched three to the body and two higher up and was giving the Antipodean a little surprise party.

In the fifth and sixth rounds, Corbett slowed down a little, and Jackson, appreciating that he was confronted with a tougher fighter than he had believed Jim to be, pepped up his attack.

On they fought, round after round, minute after minute, clever, crafty, calculating, neither man taking any chances, each respecting the other.

In the fourteenth, Corbett belted a sharp left to the nose. This was Jim's best punch up to that time.

The fifteenth and the next one were nothing to get excited about, in the seventeenth Corbett hurt Peter with two drives to the neck. The Negro drove right and left to the jaw and scored first blood, a distinction back in those diaper days of glove fighting.

AS they answered the bell for round No. 18, Jackson poked a left to the jaw but Jim replied with a wallop to the neck—and just as hard.

Jackson kept going without letting Jim get a moment's rest. In the twenty-first round, the American, apparently on advice from Delaney, shifted suddenly to infighting, but this proved no success.

They went along into the twenty-sixth, which saw Corbett start moving out in front. In the twenty-seventh, the Negro rallied, but in the twenty-eighth, Jim outhit and outboxed his man and showed a slight advantage.

In the thirtieth, Corbett kept right on rushing his opponent. With this session the more interesting half of the contest may be said to have come to a close.

Now they realized that they would go on and on, without any evidence of definite superiority on either wide side.

Corbett now knew that unless Jackson's knee gave way, he would not be able to stop him, and Peter said to himself, "I won't win this unless his hand forces him to quit."

Punch and jump, feint and wallop, drive and scramble, they kept it up for ten more sessions, and in the forty-first, Jackson organized a rally with lefts to the head and a hard right to the wind.

After the forty-first, they slowed down to a walk. They fast were nearing exhaustion, and each was afraid that he might be the man overpowered by Nature, rather than his opponent.

The onlookers were getting woozy. They wanted more action. They were not much concerned with anything except the fight, and the referee took his cue and told the men that they would have to tone up the fight or be thrown out.

In these days the boys would have got the Merry Widow.

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IN round No. 60, Cook said to the fighters, "The board of directors just has informed me that if you men don't show more fight, the purse will be forfeited."

The men walked about eyeing each other and did not land a real blow, in spite of the warning.

The onlookers were tolerant. They knew that neither Corbett nor Jackson could deliver a telling punch and wanted the referee to stop it and call it a draw.

However, had he done this, he would have recognized it as an official 61-round contest, and each fighter would have been entitled to half of the $10,000 purse.

By calling it "no contest," the referee saved $5000 for the California club.

"You can see that these men cannot go on," Cook announced, "so I call it no contest."

Jackson did not enter a ring again until January 12, 1892, when he beat one Al Fish in two heats in Chicago. Then he stopped Jack Dalton in three, and went to London to whip Slavin and become the official champion of the British Empire.

This Jackson victory over Slavin is important to American pugilism, because it led to the establishment of a real world champion.

On March 22, 1898, when Jackson was just a mere shell, he met Jim Jeffries in San Francisco, and was knocked out in the third round.

When Jeffries stopped Bob Fitzsimmons in eleven at Coney Island the following year, the fact that the Boilermaker had knocked out Jackson was regarded by the ring jurists as a circumstance which, for the first time, established an official and indisputable heavyweight champion of the world.

So much for Peter Jackson and his influence on pugilism in the United States.

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CORBETT went from the California club ring into an intensified campaign to force Sullivan to meet him.

A month after the 61-rounder, Sullivan took on Gentleman Jim for a four-round exhibition go in San Francisco, and announced that Jim had "possibilities."

Corbett told his intimates, "That man is made to order for me. Just let me get into a ring with Sullivan and you will have a new champion."

On October 8, 1891, Corbett, who was busy with theatrical tours, took time out to beat Ed Kinney in four rounds in Milwaukee.

Then came a series of what were virtually exhibitions, against stumble-bums. Corbett had found the stage very much to his liking.

On March 15, 1892, Sullivan finally surrendered to the importunities of the Corbett connection, and articles were signed for the fight in New Orleans which was to make Jim the champion.

While riding the crest of the wave of publicity attendant on his having got the match with the paunchy old John L., Corbett cashed in on Broadway by playing the lead in "Sport McAllister" at the Bijou Theatre.

Then, on the night of September 7, 1892, in an indoor ring which had a dirt floor, Corbett gave Sullivan his big boxing lesson, and achieved the title he was to lose, in turn, to Bob Fitzsimmons and his solar plexus punch on March 17, 1897, at Carson City, Nev.

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THE fight by rounds of this historic contest, the encounter that led to the championship fight with Sullivan, follows:

ROUND 1—Corbett pressed the fighting trying to reach Jackson's body with his left. Jackson retaliated by a good blow just over the heart. Corbett landed one on the ear. It was evident the Negro had the better reach. Corbett clinched twice, and refused to break away till hissed.

ROUND 2—Corbett fought with his left far out, and got in a heavy left on the Negro's wind. He tried again with his left, a long swinging blow, but failed to reach the Negro; then the latter rushed him, but the phenomenal quickness of Corbett saved him. Just before the round closed, Corbett got in a second heavy left-hander on the Negro's heart. This was Corbett's round.

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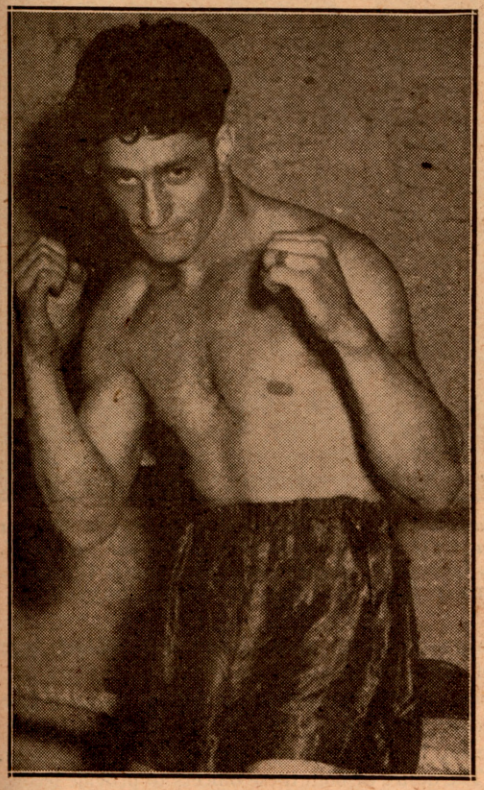
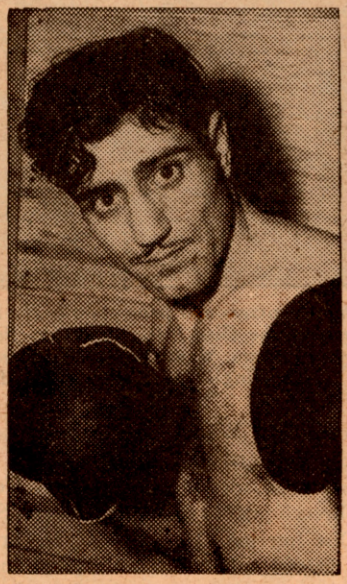
Peter Jackson, great Australian heavyweight.

The BATTLE *of* CHAMPIONS

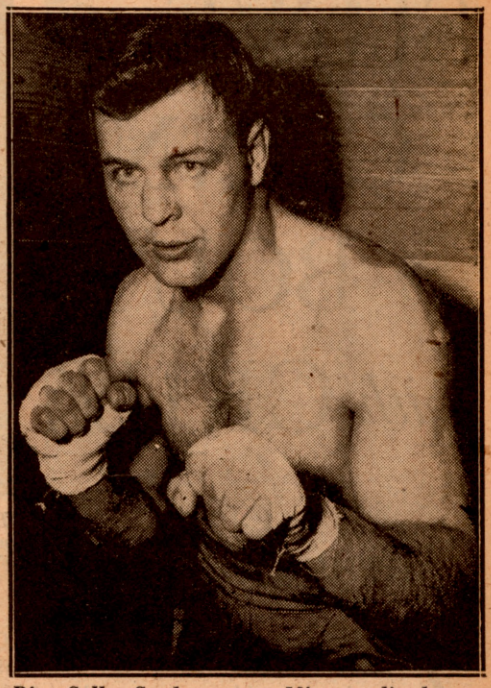


Pvt. Tony Regalbuto, Philadelphia, middleweight, who saw action in Belgium with the paratroopers.

Fort McClellan's Infantry Replacement Center is the scene of action thrillers in title tournament. Good talent being developed among Alabama soldiers.



Nate Passaro, a member of the Fort McClellan, Alabama, boxing team.



Pfc. Solly Stark, young Minneapolis heavyweight, who carried off two crowns in the Battle of Champions tournament at Fort McClellan. He never engaged as a professional, but as an amateur he did well in Golden Gloves competition. He has been dubbed by his mates "Atomic Punch" Stark because of the hefty wallop he carries.

MORE good boxing than this Post has seen in a long time made the recent Battle of Champions something to remember for the average of 5000 fans per show who attended the seven-night tourney at Monteith Amphitheater here at Fort McClellan, Alabama. Sponsored by the Special Service Office of the Infantry Replacement Training Center, the tournament was an elimination and the soldiers who fought ranged from semi-pros to boys who only started scrapping a few weeks ago.

In the finals, Pfc. Solly Stark, the Minneapolis heavy, made it two Battle of Champions titles in a row when he won a close decision over Pvt. Ted Nichols of Cincinnati in their three-rounder.

Stark, who boxed both amateur and semi-pro in his home state, met tough opposition all the way from Nichols. He took a heavy beating from the loser in the second round. A previous 16-second, one-punch KO had gained him the moniker of "Atomic Punch" Stark, but against Nichols, he had to make it on points and the margin was slim. The close decision wasn't surprising after a glance at Nichols' record. In 1937 he won the heavy title for Golden Gloves in California and the following year repeated the process in Ohio.

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IN the 155-pound bracket, Pvt. Tony Regalbuto, a Philadelphian and veteran of combat in Belgium with the paratroopers, upheld the fighting rep of the sky soldiers in the finals when he slammed Pvt. Thomas Tapley, Hannibal, Mo., to the canvas for 10 in the second setto of their three-round match. The time: 1:36. Regalbuto says that most of his battling has been against Jerry, but he has put on the gloves about five times in Army contests.

Two Ohio GI's mixed it up for a good final fight in the 175-pound class. Pvt. Elvin Beach from Marion in the Buckeye State floored Pvt. Elmer Dunmeyer, Finlay, O., in the second round for nine counts. Tunney the Great's luck wasn't with Dunmeyer, however. After his rest on the canvas he arose only to be polished off for the count in just 53 seconds of the same setto.

A top Golden Glover from Chicago, Sgt. Nate Passaro gave the eye of Pvt. Cecil Harrold, Mullins, W. Va., such a mauling in the opening round that the fight was stopped. Passaro netted a TKO triumph in this 127-pound event.

The other final results were:

Pvt. John Moriarty, Detroit, 118-pound class, decisioned Pvt. James Corey, Indianapolis; Pvt. Bob Cavanaugh, L. I., N. Y., 135 pounds, decisioned Pvt. Johnny Hanz, Woodriver, Ill.; Pvt. Charles Do, Honolulu, 143 pounds, won a decision over Pvt. Elmer Reiman, Cleveland, O.; Pvt. Glenn Switzer, Akron, O., 165 pounds, decisioned Pvt. Bill Ditizio, Philadelphia.

Black eyes and bloody noses weren't the only mementos the finalists took home with them. The winner in each weight class was awarded a $25 war bond and runners-up received $10 worth of the same apiece.

Several of the finalists, particularly Stark, Nichols and Passaro, looked good enough in the tourney to give some of the big boys plenty to think about come (discharge) the day when they go marching back into the civilian ring—especially when you realize that up to now their big business has been taking 'em on with the lead, not the leather.

Fort McClellan's boxing mentors are not aiming to make professional fighters out of the men stationed here who like to participate in the shows, but they like to point with pride to the few among the contestants who show as much skill as the average pro beginner. A number of newcomers have arrived at the camp for special training who did well in various Golden Gloves tournaments throughout the country and these are the lads who are figured on to form the nucleus of another good team when some of those now competing are shifted to other camps.

In Passaro, the camp has as good a young scrapper as can be located at any of the camps in this country. He is one of the few who hopes, when he is discharged, to try his hand at the professional game in which he should make rapid progress, judging by his fine work at Fort McClellan.

CLOSE SHAVE *for* CONN *in* BOUT *with* CRUZ

By CPL. ARTHUR F. BEERS

The organizers and promoters of the huge boxing program operating weekly in different parts of the Oise Intermediate Section, ETO in France. Left to right: top—Lieut. H. Frank Bowers, Major Jack H. Springer, Lieut. H. H. Bodfish and S/Sgt. Earle Crompton. Kneeling—Cpl. Glover, Cpl. Barney Friedman and Sgt. Jimmy English.

THE frequent presence of Cpl. Billy Conn, Pfc. Willie Pace and other leading American professionals and the assistance and hearty cooperation of Marcel Thil, former world's 160-pound champion, and other French pugilists, lent a colorful backdrop to army boxing in the Oise Intermediate Section, centered in Rheims, France. In Oise, 300,000 soldiers have been drawn to 102 shows in seven months.

Perhaps nowhere else among America's round-the-world troop concentrations can the Oise record be approached. And that goes for thrills as well as the numbers. The return of Billy Conn to the States, recalls the near knockout of Billy by Pvt. Costello Cruz in an "exhibition" that ended in a Pier 6 brawl, and was just one of the unforgettable incidents in the European boxing competition. Another was the three-day carnival of leather-pushing in which soldier-boxers participated in the Tournament of Champions.

Cruz is the Santa Barbara, California, light-heavyweight, with a fair record prior to entering the armed forces. He lost three times to Jack Chase, won on a foul, and drew twice with him, and was kayoed by Jack Marshall in two rounds. His little setto with the man who almost took the world crown from Joe Louis was as good a fight as has been seen here, a real slugging match until Billy stopped his man, and Cruz had many supporters. In fact it seemed that all the GI's were rooting for him.

To say that Conn, who usually has things his own way, was surprised by Cruz's showing, is putting it mildly. When he got his "Irish" up he went after Cruz with a vengeance.

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CONN, heavy and not in his best condition, nearly had his head torn from his shoulders mid-way in the first round when the unorthodox Cruz, who shifts in and out of a southpaw stance, bopped the world's No. 2 heavyweight with a left hook that shook the world famous Rheims Cathedral a half-mile away.

Conn went glassy-eyed and all but hit the deck. It took all he had to fumble and clutch his way to the bell, with the Larruping Cruz throwing everything he had in Billy's general direction.

The second round opened tamely, with Conn still in the process of gathering his wits. Near the end of the round he caught Cruz off balance and dropped him.

It was in the third that Cruz paid dearly for swatting the world's leading heavyweight contender on the chin, for Billy went to work with his famous left and "murdered" the Santa Barbara light-heavy, who was rescued by the referee in 1.39.

Another feature of the finals was a wrestling match between Pfc. Danno O'Mahony, one of the better-known of the regiment of ex-world-heavyweight mat champs, and Pvt. "Chief Lone Wolf" Bagley of Minneapolis.

Brigadier General C. O. Thrasher, commanding General Oise Intermediate Section, presented prizes to the winners and Lt. Col. C. D. Trexler, Special Service Officer OIS, was director of the program. The desire of both these officers to provide boxing entertainment for the troops was an important factor in the success of Oise boxing. And both, incidentally, are ardent fans.

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HEADQUARTERS Command, with dyed-in-the-wool fight fan Lt. Col. W. H. Boshoff in charge, has sponsored the Rheims programs, which were directed with the many other Oise shows through the office of Athletics Officer Major Jack H. Springer, Oise Special Service Section.

The Oise shows were inaugurated on December 8, 1944, and have been growing bigger and better ever since. The Tournament of Champions, crowning GI amateur boxers in nine weight classes, was to have been the climax. But the pendulum of ring interest here has not yet begun to fall. The presence of several huge redeployment centers in the Rheims area, provides a tremendous fountain-head of soldier interest. At the moment plans are being made for still bigger things in this hotbed of soldier fisticuffing.

Three good arenas, Le Cirque, holding 3,000; the Municipal Stadium, with room for 11,000, and the new Headquarters Command Recreation Field with an as yet undetermined capacity, are available for a program that is going on to new heights.

The boxing activity in France may produce another Gene Tunney from the battlefields to make history in civilian rings. The smiling bald-headed Thil, former world middleweight champion, is one of those who think this may happen.

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THE huge, sprawling Oise Section takes in most of France east of Paris and includes Luxembourg, the Bastogne and Ardennes areas whose names will live long in Yankee history, and runs south along the Rhine to Strasbourg and Belfort. The boxers who finally made the grade in the Tournament of Champions finals in Rheims, were called from regional tourneys in Soissons, Verdun, Epernay, Ablois, Betz, Epernal, Charleville, Chateau Thierry, Dijon, Bar Le Duc, Chalons, Laon, Maubeuge and other cities in addition to Rheims.

When the eighteen finalists had finally been drawn from the field after two days of semi-finals at Rheims the stage was set for the grand climax. Every one of the boys in the finals was a Negro, indicating that the before-the-war predominance of

Negro boys in civilian rings has not been shaken by the war, at least from observation in France.

The boys who stepped into the ring at Le Cirque, before a jammed mass of GI's and Brass, were well-trained, well-prepared athletes, not soldiers dragged off tanks or out of mess kitchens on the spur of the moment. All regional survivors had been given ample time to train on off duty hours either at their unit gyms, or in city gymnasiums furnished in many cities by Special Services.

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WHEN that memorable night of the finals was all over, Verdun had carried off the team trophy, and the Branch of Service prize went to the Quartermaster Corps. Pfc. George Smith of Philadelphia and the Chalons squad stood a step ahead of a sparkling field of amateur glovers with his selection as outstanding boxer of the tournament. But this fine welter by no means stands alone as Oise's outstanding prospect.

Smith had to wage a savage battle to decision S/Sgt. Caesar Cooper of Chicago, to win the 145-pound crown. Smith won decisively, but only after a battle in which both boys absorbed plenty of hard punches. Cooper was outslugged, but put up a courageous battle.

Smith is one of three boys who Marcel Thil feels will go far as professionals, should they care to try. The others are Pfc. Billy Proctor of Harrisburg, Pa., the bantamweight winner, and Pvt. Aaron Wilson of Birmingham, Ala., who is rated best of the heavyweights produced by the tourney although he was shaded in the final by Pfc. Fred Lemon of Philadelphia. Until he made the mistake of holding Lemon too lightly, Wilson had not been beaten in the ETO.

Proctor, a youngster who has remarkable poise and that fine coordination that stands out even in a raw amateur, has won twenty consecutive soldier bouts. In his bantamweight final, he took the title by decision from T/5 Alvin Carroll of Cincinnati. He was master all the way.

Pfc. James McClellan of Toledo, Ohio, won the 127-pound final by decision over Pfc. Charles W. Greene of Brooklyn. Pvt. Joe Clayton, Atlantic City, N. J., took less than two minutes to stop Pfc. Phil Saunders of Birmingham, Ala., and win the 135-pound honors. Pfc. Earle Moore, Detroit, stopped T/5 Harvey Welsh of Williamstown, N. J., in the third round of the 135-pound final, and Pvt. Tom Ellis, New York City, 165-pounder, decisioned Pvt. Samuel Logan of Rocky Mount, N. C., for middleweight laurels.

The flyweight and light-heavyweight finals were not contested. Sgt. Warren Peterson of Jamaica, N. Y., and Pvt. Thurman Hill, Detroit, both members of the Verdun team and buddies, refused to meet and Peterson became titleholder on the toss of a coin. Pvt. Jesse Simpson, flyweight, won unopposed.

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CONN has participated in innumerable exhibition bouts at camps, stations and hospitals in the Oise Section, as has O'Mahony. Each has given unstintingly of his talents. Others who have played important roles in the staging of the frequent regular boxing shows in Rheims are Sgt. Jimmy English, who has proven an able, tireless and talented matchmaker, T/5 Benny Friedman, capable referee, and Willie Pace, trainer and coach of the Oise Section team.

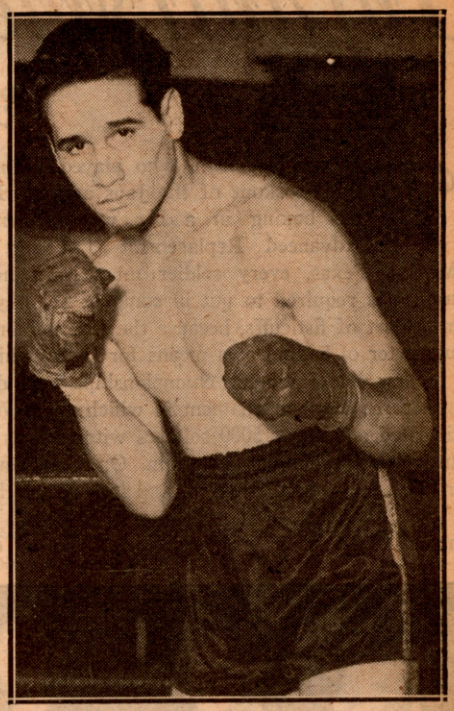
Thil has given the use of his gymnasium to GI boxers, and has been free with help and advice. Other French civilians have donated generously toward the entertainment of American troops, notably M. Henri Dalseihmer, who has been promoting boxing bouts in Rheims for many years and is proprietor of Le Cirque.

Thil, a prosperous coal and wood merchant, looks in as good condition as the night he fought Fred Apostoli in the Garden in 1939. He thinks the army bouts in Rheims and elsewhere in France have been very well organized and he predicts, as a result of the American influence, a revival of the sport here.

He has several promising young French boxers under his wing, the best of whom, he says, is Andre Gonnet, 19-year-old featherweight who is ready to turn pro. Thil speaks glowingly of Marcel Cerdan, and is sure this newest French professional star will be a sensation when and if he comes to America.

The French boxing colony here is amazed at the scope of the U.S. Army boxing program, with its shows at least three and sometimes four and five times a week, always packing to the rafters Le Cirque or the other Oise enclosures.

Lending spice to these regular weekly programs has been the team matches between the Oise teams and various Paratroop and Airborne units, notably the 17th Airborne. They've waged some terrific battles, these teams, with Oise usually having the edge.



Costello Cruz, light-heavyweight from California, who almost dropped Billy in a special bout. Conn is now back in the States.

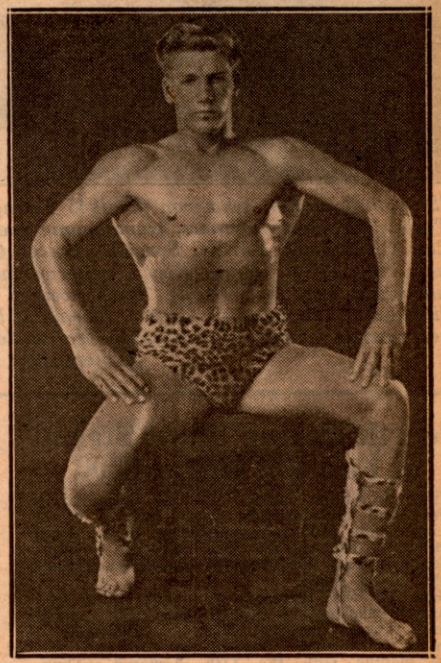
And the end is not yet. Oise Special Service Section is hoping to expand its program to include bouts between the best of the French professionals, as well as GI's, for the entertainment of the troops, and to continue to build up its own Oise Base team toward an eventual ETO championship tournament.

WRESTLING & JUDO EXPERT

THE accompanying photograph shows the remarkable body of Jack Robinson, Jr., son of the famous Cumberland style wrestler and Judo expert from South Africa. Prof. Jack hopes to send his 18-year-old son to America to box under the management of Jack Dempsey and Max Waxman. Young Jack has won many prizes in South Africa. He is an expert boxer, wrestler and, like his dad, one of the country's best Judo experts.

He is 6 feet 1¾ inches tall, scales 196 pounds, has a chest development of 46½ inches normal, and on May 31, last, he was only 18 years old.

He packs a heavy wallop, is clever, and in the opinion of Capt. Tiny Dean, veteran referee of South Africa, the boy can whip Jim Londos in a wrestling match. He is a master not only of catch-as-catch-can wrestling, but in Judo and Cumberland style also.



Jack Robinson, Jr.

Infantrymen in Thrilling Bouts

By PFC. BOB ENSWORTH

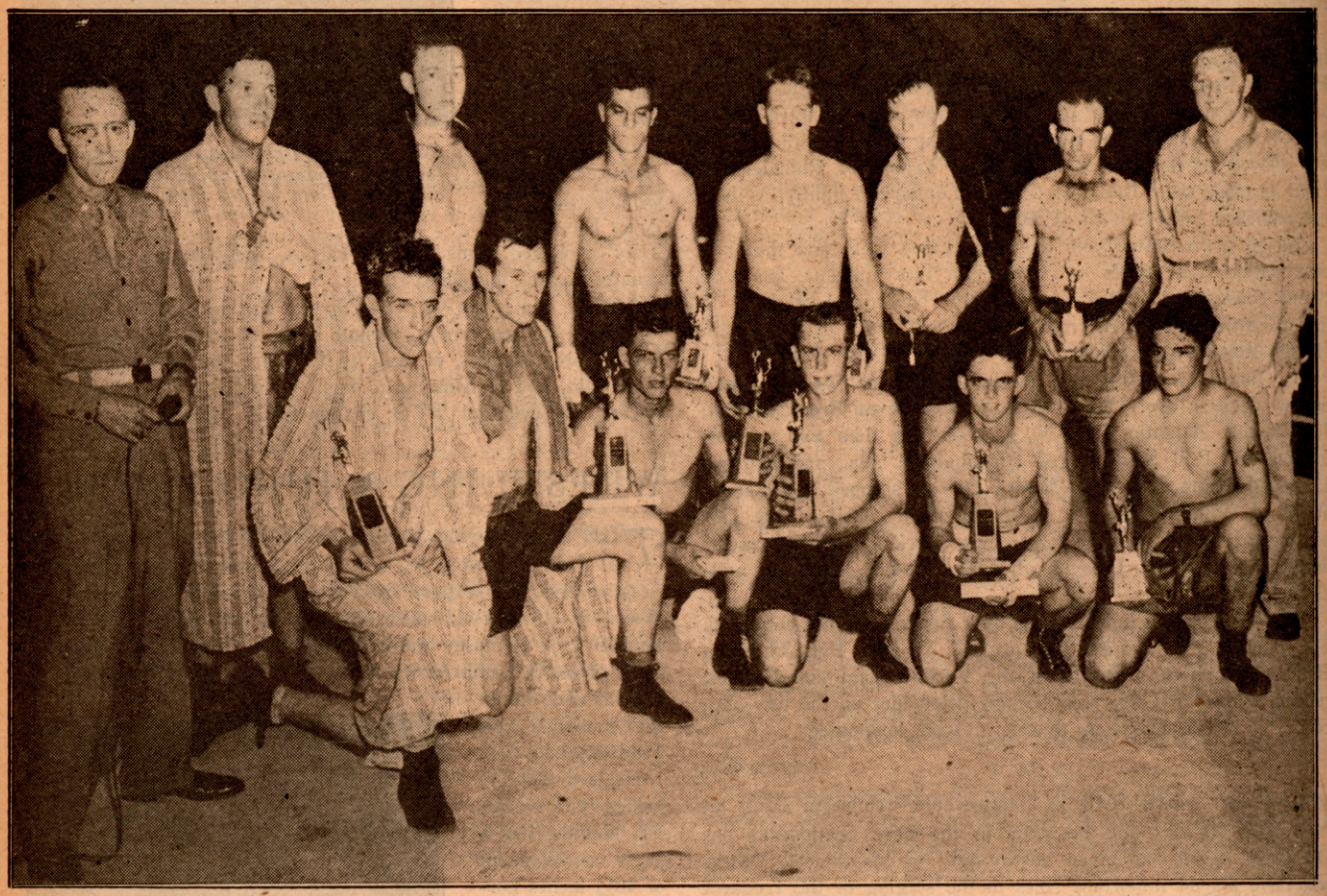
THE infantrymen, who played so important a part in the knockout of the Japs and the Nazis, are going in for boxing in a big way. Down at the Infantry Advanced Replacement Training Center at Camp Maxey, Texas, every soldier must learn how to box. Every trainee is required to put in some of his physical training time in the art of fisticuffs, because the Commanding Officer is a firm supporter of boxing as a means for keeping his men on the alert.

A few weeks ago, six championships were decided at the camp in a three days' tournament in which about 70 infantrymen participated and about 5000 soldiers witnessed as part of the morale and physical building program. One knockout took place, that in the heavyweight division, and it featured the finals.

Pvt. Oliver Adkins of Santa Ana, Calif., delivered the haymaker to the chin of Pvt. Kenneth Mason of Detroit and put the Michigan lad into the land of Nod. The blow, coming in the second round, won for Adkins the heavyweight crown. The time of the knockout was 1.30.

The crowd was treated to another thriller in the bout between Pvt. Bob Smith of Battle Creek, Mich., and T/Sgt. Jimmie Rocco of Buffalo, N. Y. Smith, a 147-pounder, won the welterweight championship in a match that was so close the last punch was the deciding factor in his favor. It was the fifth consecutive victory for Smith.

Sgt. Pete Geraci and Pvt. Carl Margolis, both of Cleveland, handled the tournament. Geraci is a recent graduate of the Army Personnel Services School at Lexington, Va. Margolis is the enlisted man director of sports in the IARTC at Maxey. He was a Cleveland Golden Gloves champion in 1936 when he won four of five fights by knockouts.



"Slugging" soldiers who won the 1945 boxing tournament at the Infantry Advanced Replacement Training Center in Camp Maxey, Texas. The above winners, from among thousands of doughboys, are shown with their trophies. Standing, left to right, are Lt. Carl C. McEwen, IARTC Special Services Officer; Pvt. Oliver Adkins, heavyweight champ; Pvt. Kenneth Mason, heavyweight runnerup; T/Sgt. Jimmie Rocco, welterweight runnerup; Pvt. Spence Budd, middleweight runnerup; Pvt. Joe Sobiesiak, lightweight runnerup; Pvt. Jack Brown, featherweight runnerup, and Pvt. Carl Margolis, ex-Golden Gloves fighter and now IARTC sports director of the Infantry Center. Kneeling, left to right, are Pvt. Robert Smith, welterweight champion; Pvt. Ralph Ray, light-heavyweight champ; Pvt. George McDonald, middleweight champ; Pvt. John Abbitt, lightweight champ; Pvt. Robert Sedgman, featherweight champ, and Pvt. John Villarreal, lightweight runnerup.

Fourth Boxing Show Staged at Fort Sill Draws 3500

Two exhibition bouts, five T.K.O.'s and a three-round bantamweight battle kept a crowd of more than 3500 fans entertained in the Field Artillery bowl as the Post Special Services office presented the fourth in a series of post-wide boxing shows.

One of the featured performers was Pfc. Harold Pebeahsy, a former Fort Sill Indian School boxer currently home on furlough in Lawton, Oklahoma, after fighting overseas several months with the 11th Armored (Thunderbolt) division in Belgium and Germany. Pebeahsy, 1943 A.A.U. bantamweight champ in New Mexico, boxed Pvt. Eddie Cochran, Redondo Beach, California, losing the decision after three lively, crowd-pleasing rounds.

The eight-bout card got off to a rousing start with Pvt. Emery Beam, Lewisville, Ind., decisioning Pvt. Carl Townsend, Tama, Ia., in a 118-pound clash. Both lads showed a willingness to mix it up.

Pvt. Publio Casillas, Laredo, Texas, T.K.O.'ed Pvt. Anthony Falsetto, New Orleans, La., in the first round of the final bout. Captain Max Tauber, the attending surgeon, stopped the fight between rounds.

S/Sgt. Desmond Sagmiller, Mandon, N. D., shot out of his corner like a rocket in his bout with Pvt. Vincent Salm, Chilton, Wis., and so far outclassed him that Lieut. Lou H. Handler, referee, stopped the bout at 1:50 of the first at the request of Salm's handlers. Sagmiller looked mighty impressive in his Fort Sill debut.

Results of the other bouts:

130-pound class: Pvt. Celestino Laozio, Mexico City, and Pvt. Robert Catron, Topeka, Kans., fought a three-round exhibition. No decision.

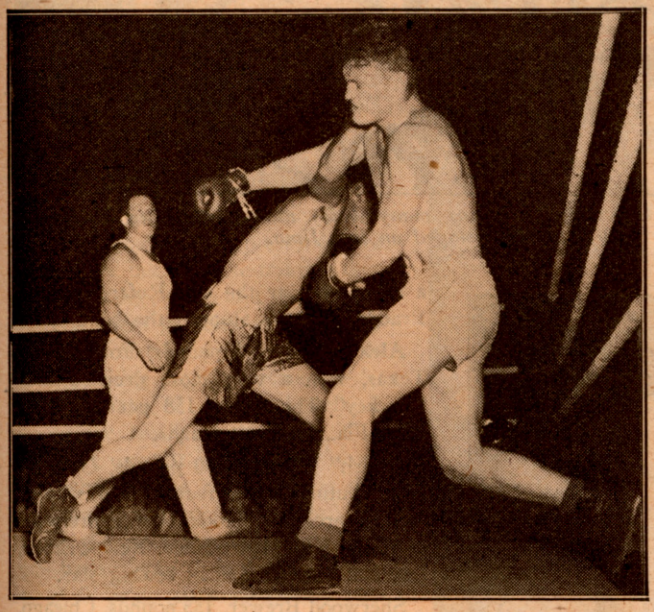
160-pound class: Pvt. Anthony Michela, Albany, N. Y., scored a T.K.O. over Pvt. Donald Hunt, Mansfield, O., 1:20, second round.

170-pound class: Pvt. Clarence Schneider, Glenview, Ill., scored a T.K.O. over Pvt. William Hunnell, Columbus, O., 50 seconds, first round.

200-pound class: Pvt. George Campbell, Manning, Ia., scored a T.K.O. over Pvt. Earl McMullen, Weiser, Ida., 1:46, second round.

7 Knockouts at Ft. Sill Show

By SGT. JACK LANG



A wild swinging right by Pvt. Earl Lister, Indian Wells, Ariz., lands on the side of the head of Pvt. Harry McGuffie, Warren, O. The referee is Lt. Lou Handler, Post Athletic and Recreation officer at Fort Sill, who is matchmaker and promoter of the bouts and doubles in brass as referee.

YOUNG, inexperienced would-be boxers were initiated into the leather-swinging fraternity in the Field Artillery Bowl at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, and seven of the lads were victims of technical knockouts. The crowd of 4000 which witnessed the second in a series of post-wide boxing shows cheered and jeered as seven of the ten bouts ended in knockouts.

Several good prospects were uncovered during the course of the evening. Pvt. Carl Wilfong, Buckhannon, W. Va., showed ability to step into the ring with the best of them in scoring a quick kayo over Pvt. Tom Pratt, Zisalia, Calif. Wilfong, an ambitious athlete who also pitches for the post baseball team, took only 1:55 of the first round to stop Pratt. His short punches which packed plenty of dynamite, had Pratt groggy when Lt. Lou Handler, Detroit, Mich., referee, intervened to prevent further damage.

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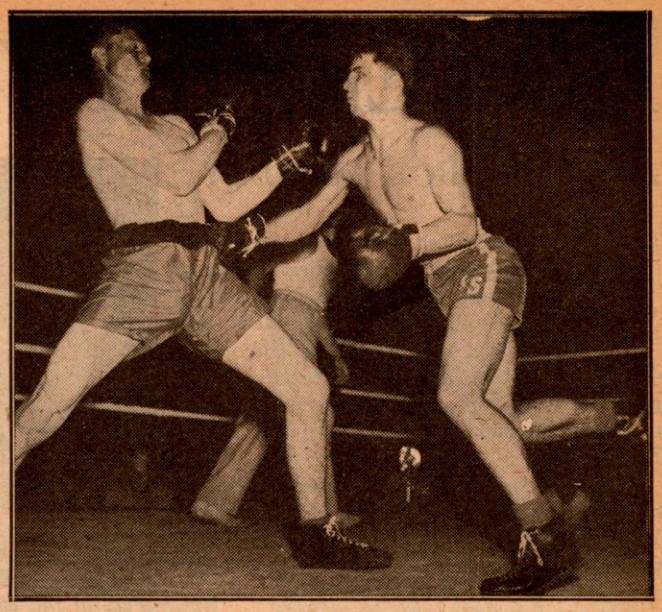
ALTHOUGH it could hardly be said that he was "uncovered" in the second show of the season, Pvt. Billy Long, Anadarko, Okla., was "discovered" by the Fort Sill fans, who were unaware of the fact that he was Oklahoma AAU featherweight champion in 1942.

Pvt. Long jabbed Pvt. Joe Mafei, Ravenna, O., all over the ring for two rounds, scoring with rights and lefts to the head practically at will. Mafei was game, but had more than he could take when S/Sgt. Mickey Phillips, former New York City professional pugilist, who refereed the first three bouts, stopped the one-sided match after the second round and awarded the decision to Long.

Another lively bout was the Pvt. Harold LaFond-Cpl. Edward Layman 160-pound match. Pvt. LaFond stopped his man, but only after LaFond came up off the canvas to knock Cpl. Layman into submission.



Pvt. Anthony Michela, a Field Artillery School Troop soldier from Albany, N. Y., lands a right to the belt-line of Pvt. Bobby Webb, Wetumka, Okla. Webb came back, however, and gained the decision in the post-wide Fort Sill bouts.

LaFond, Manchester, N. H., was scoring neatly with straight punches in the second when Layman, whose home is Fort Worth, Tex., caught him on the button and he went down. Jumping up at the count of nine, LaFond tabbed Layman with a haymaker and the soldier from the 664th Field Artillery battalion of the Field Artillery School went down, his eyes glassy and his body weary. The bell saved him for another round.

LaFond didn't waste much time in the third. He caught the still dazed Layman in his own corner and blasted away with an assortment of punches to the head until Maj. Lawrence Ware, Anadarko, Okla., referee, stopped the tussle. The time was 1:55.

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TWO boxers who won their first bouts on the initial card of the season scored again in the second show. Pfc. Earl Lister, Indian Wells, Ariz., stopped Pvt. Joe Naughton, Alton, Ill., in 1:45 of the third round, and Pfc. Joe Santello, Philadelphia, made it two straight over Pvt. Everett Halcomb, Grand Rapids, Mich., by taking the three-round decision.

Judges for the card were Lt. Col. N. F. Noyes, Capt. Albert Cutzman and Capt. John Leary. Referees were Maj. Ware, Lt. Handler and S/Sgt. Phillips.

Among the high ranking officers in attendance at the ringside were Maj. Gen. Ralph McT. Pennell, commandant of the Field Artillery School, and Brig. Gen. Raymond E. Lee, commanding general of the Field Artillery Replacement Training Center.

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BOXERS appearing on the second card represented the 526th and 519th Rocket Field Artillery battalions, the 623rd Field Artillery Observation battalion, the 664th Field Artillery battalion and the Infantry Training detachment, all of the Field Artillery School, and the Sixth, Seventh and Eighth regiments of the Replacement Training Center.

Results of other bouts on the card follow:

135-pound class—Pvt. Donald De Arca, Detroit, Mich., decisioned Pvt. Bernard O'Reilly, New York, N. Y.

160-pound class—Pvt. Lou Alcanter, Kansas City, Kan., scored a T.K.O. over Pvt. Harry McGuffie, Warren, O., 1:40, second round; Pvt. Anthony Komaransky, Cleveland, O., decisioned Pvt. Gerald Fager, Puyallup, Wash.

175-pound class—Pvt. James Pope, St. Petersburg, Fla., scored a T.K.O. over Pvt. William Hunnell, Columbus, O., 1:50, third round.

190-pound class—Pvt. Joe Marcantel, New Orleans, La., scored a T.K.O. over Pvt. Albert Rehberg, Schoharie, N. Y., 1:05, first round.

BOXERS FLY *to* IWO JIMA

By S/SGT. BOB MORLEY

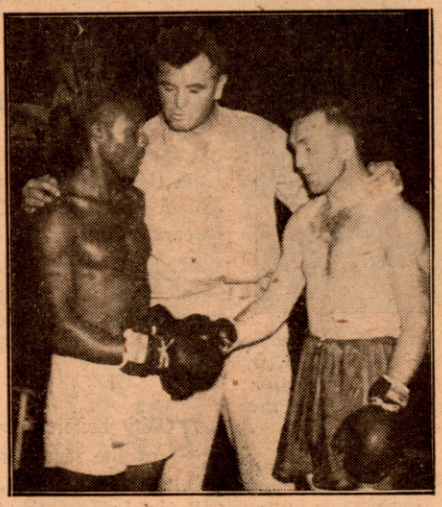
Part of the 8000 spectators, including many Army nurses, watching the first boxing show staged on Iwo Jima.

LAST December, THE RING Magazine carried a story of the first boxing bouts presented on conquered Japanese soil. The bouts took place on Saipan, on August 26th, 1944, just 48 days after that Island was secured. The program was sponsored by Special Service under the direction of Major Joseph S. McEntee.

One year almost to the day, after this first boxing show at Charon Kanoa, Saipan, the W.P.B.C. Special Service Boxing Agency repeated history by flying a complete boxing show from Saipan to Iwo Jima for their first organized show there. A troupe of 34 men which included boxers, seconds, referees, judges, timekeepers, announcers, etc., flew over 1500 round trip miles to give bloody Iwo Jima a different, more entertaining and American type of battle.

It marked the 62nd boxing show presented by the W.P.B.C. Boxing Agency, promoted on the various islands of the Western Pacific. To date, over three-quarters of a million spectators have witnessed these bouts presented weekly in island outdoor arenas.

The tiny island of Iwo is still in its early construction stages, with Seabees and Army Engineers working 12 hour shifts around the clock. Sporting events have therefore had to take second place and only two small exhibition smokers had been presented previous to the Saipan's Champions show. A crowd of 8,000 service personnel including many Army nurses jammed the Johnson Bowl for this great sports feature.



James J. Braddock, former world heavyweight champion, giving instructions to William Duncan (left) and Kenny Reed before their feature bout on Iwo Jima's first boxing card.

Referees for the evening were Capt. James J. Braddock, former world's heavyweight champion, now on Saipan, who refereed the feature bouts and spoke briefly of the great work that the Iwo men had accomplished there; Tommy Forte, former Philly featherweight contender now on Saipan and Bob Morley, boxing promoter for the W.P.B.C. Boxing Agency. The results follow:

In the main event of the evening Eddie Sims, 205 pounds, former national amateur champion from Cleveland, Ohio, defeated Joe Smith, 190 pounds, Wynnewood, Okla., in four rounds. Sims dropped Smith in the second round and the bell saved him from a K.O. He was still shaky coming out for the third round but managed to last out the entire contest though he was a badly beaten fighter.

In the semi-windup, William Duncan, 144 pounds, Brooklyn, the Henry Armstrong of Saipan, added still another name to his long list of victories as he defeated Kenny Reed, 143 pounds, of Boston, Mass., a boy with over 300 pro fights to his credit. This was the fight of the night as is usually the case when the sensational Duncan fights . . . from the opening bell to the finish of the fight both boys went all out for a K.O. Duncan's speed and sharper punching proved the deciding edge and he was awarded the decision.

Buck Garrett, 128 pounds, Waco, Texas, Saipan representative, TKO'd Iwo Jima's featherweight entry Horace Scott, 133 pounds, Birmingham, in the second round of their fight. Garrett dropped Scott three times in the first round but the bell saved Scott. In the second Buck started the attack again but when Scott received a deep cut over the eye, Referee Jimmy Braddock wisely stopped the bout.

Alex Childs, 160 pounds, Fort Worth, Texas, won a very close decision over "Turkey" Thompson, 158 pounds, Dade City, Fla., in three rounds.

"Flash" Merritt, 160 pounds, Orlando, Fla., continued undefeated in his short boxing career as he took the measurements of Eddie Veal, 160 pounds, New Orleans, La., and veteran Saipan boxing star.

Sherwood Brewer, 155 pounds, Chicago, Ill., defeated his fellow townsman Booker T. Washington, 153 pounds, Chicago, a veteran of 10 years' experience, in a slow three rounder.

Two Iwo Jima boys met in the next two bouts: Chuck DeRosier, 154 pounds, Spencer, Mass., defeated Pat Camerano, 155, Boston, Mass., in a fast three rounder, while Pancho Herrera, 118 pounds, El Paso, Texas, decisioned Tony Juares, 124 pounds, Rawlins, Wyoming, in a rough fight.

Ken Hilton, 139 pounds, Brooklyn, N. Y., looked like the classiest fighter on the card as he outboxed tough Reese Bybee, 142 pounds, Downey, Idaho, in a bout that really had the crowd on its feet throughout the fight.

Woody Woods, 142 pounds, Freeport, Texas, scored his second win over "Duke" Bailey, 140 pounds, Chicago, Ill., in a three rounder that was marred by too much clinching.

In the opening bout on the card Phil Castanon, 119 pounds, Stockton, Calif., finished strong in the third and last round to defeat Willie Shaw, 115 pounds, Paducah, Ky., in a very interesting fight.

Referees for the evening were: Capt. James J. Braddock, former world heavyweight champ, now stationed on Saipan; Tommy Forte, former contender for world featherweight championship, now on Saipan, and Sgt. Bob Morley, manager of W.P.B.C. Boxing Agency.

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The Ring's Honor Roll

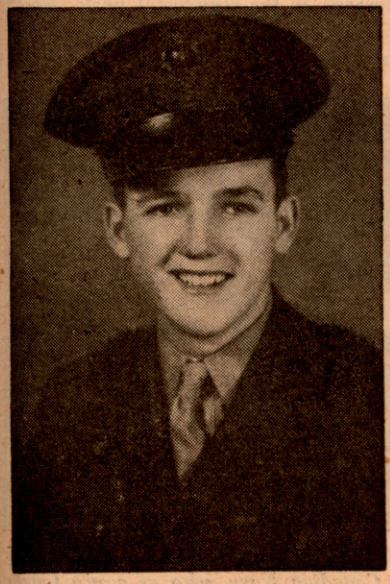
By CPL. JIMMY HEARNS

THE RING'S roll of active fighters is rapidly approaching record figures. With several hundred pros and amateurs released from the service, and with pugilism offering a lucrative field for those inclined to make boxing their profession, promoters won't have to go begging for talent this fall and winter. In New York State alone, THE RING'S correspondents, in a survey, had found close to 200 lads back in training for a pro career. Many were only amateurs when they donned the uniform, but with the training they received in the service and the demand for good talent growing steadily, they have decided to toss their hats into the ring among the money chasers.

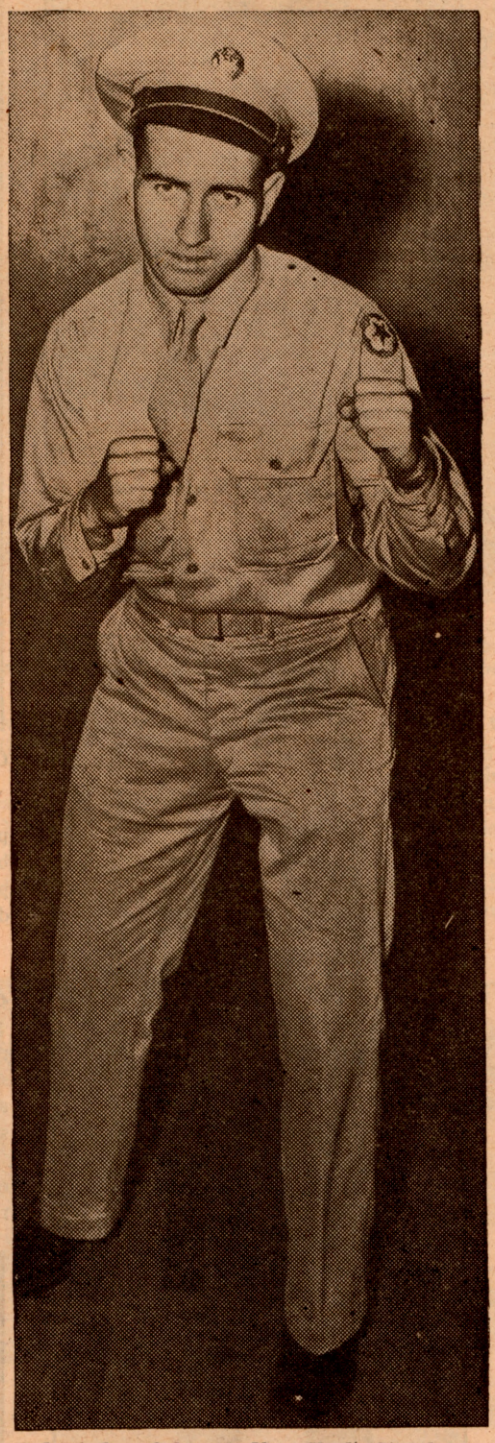
The release of service boxers is helping the smaller cities more than the larger ones. It was in those small cities where minor clubs operate that the promoters were hardest hit, but during the past month, several new clubs have opened their doors and new money is being sunk into fistic ventures by men who made it easily during the war and are now prepared to take a gamble in sports promotion. All of this indicates but one thing—the greatest influx of boxers into the ranks of the pros ever experienced in this country, and the most active boxing season since the draft went into effect. Boxing should be bigger and better than ever.

In the New York area alone, at least a dozen lads who made the grade before the war and are now out of service are headlining shows throughout the state. Among the best are Sonny Horne, Artie Levine, Chester Rico, George Henry, Marvin Bryant, Bobby Ruffin, Johnny Greco, Teddy Seidman, Ray Robinson, Freddie Archer, Freddie Fiducia and Georgie Kochan. Dave Castilloux and Jimmy Bivins are other topnotchers who have resumed active ring work.

Patsy Giovanelli, one of New York's outstanding lightweights prior to donning the colors, and Lenny (Boom Boom) Mancini, a lightweight contender, have been discharged and have resumed training for a comeback. Giovanelli saw four years of service, three of them in the hot Pacific area, and Mancini saw service in Germany, where he was wounded and is now fully recovered.



Danny Gibbons, youngest son of Mike Gibbons. He is in the Marine Corps.



Cpl. Arthur Salzman, New York City boxer, who is an instructor at Camp Crowder.

Bernie Cummings, Sampson Navy lad who is a good boxer and all-around athlete.

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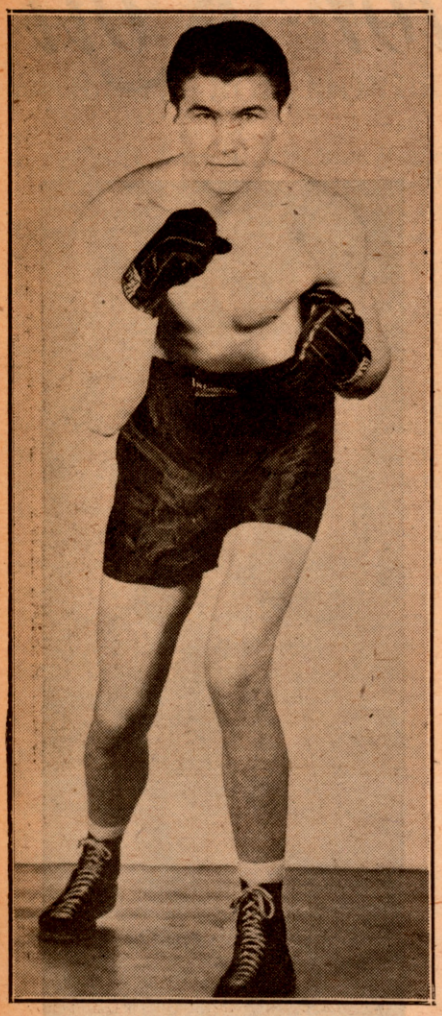
PROFESSIONAL pugilists of at least two classes may well look to their laurels when peace comes—and you have this on good authority from scrappy Leo Rodak, who has come up with a pair of servicemen discoveries, according to T/Sgt. Wallace R. McLain, a Marine Corps combat correspondent in the Pacific.



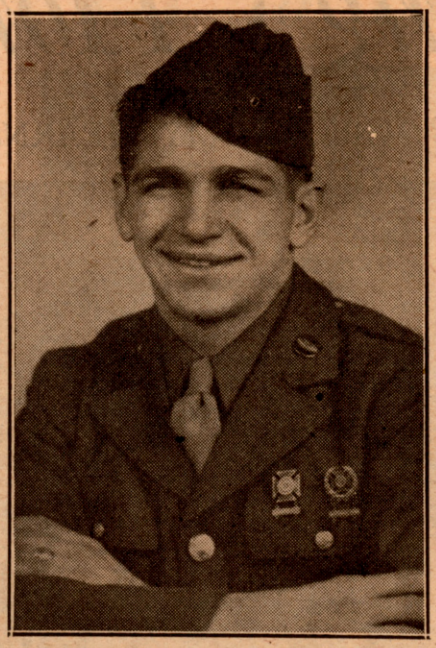
Sgt. Tommy Yarosz who is doing a swell job overseas for the GI's. His boxing shows in Italy have drawn as many as 20,000 spectators.

"Rodak, one-time Chicago battler and former N.B.A. world's featherweight champ, thinks Marine Pfc. Bill Ehrlich and Navy Seaman 2/c Bobby Deans are naturals," says McLain. "Proteges of Rodak, who is a Marine corporal, the two top a flashy boxing team at Rodak's Pacific Marine aviation base.

"Leo believes the boys are championship material. Mostly, he bases this belief on their youth and past performances.

"Ehrlich, 19, of New York, is by most boxing standards a comparative newcomer. He has but 22 bouts under his belt. All except three have been wins, seven of them via the kayo route. What Ehrlich lacks in ring experience, he makes up in speed and a deadly wallop, says Rodak. A lightweight, Erhlich punches like a heavy. Fast and shifty, he favors his right, but can hit with either hand. And more than anything else, Ehrlich takes himself and the game seriously.

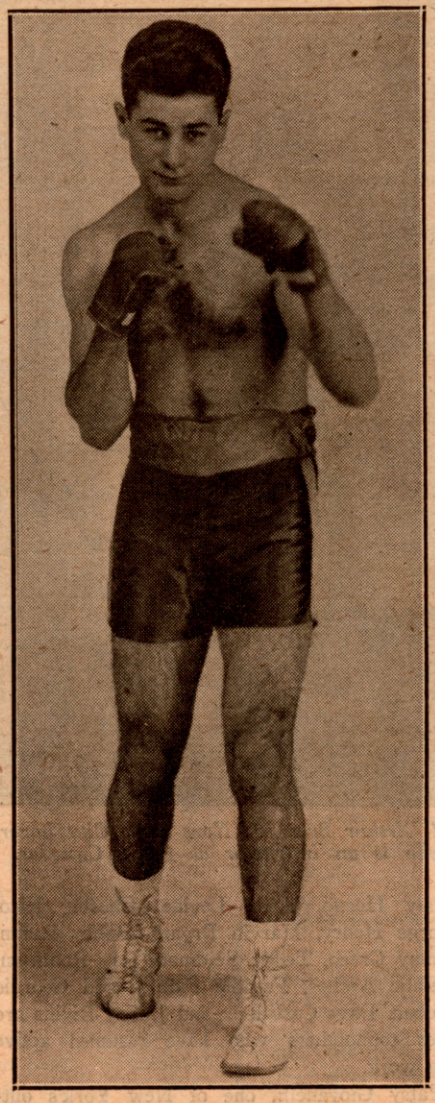
"On the other hand, Bobby Deans, 18, who is a Seabee and lives in Chicago, is a seasoned veteran in amateur circles. Out of 60 fights, he has dropped only ten. Although 125 pounds is his best fighting weight, Deans won the southern California amateur lightweight crown in 1943, and is



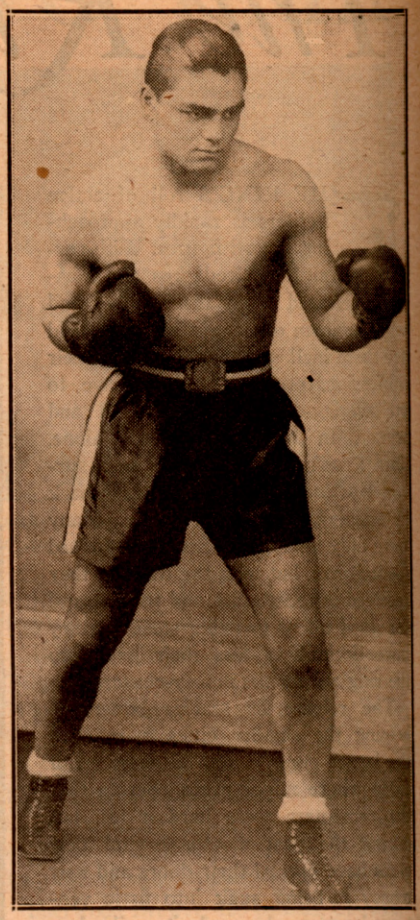
Pfc. Deno A. Tufares of Wichita Falls, Tex.

well known to Chicago amateur ring followers.

"Out of the ring, he appears quiet to the point of reticence. But in action, Deans bores in like a tiger, clawing, throwing punches from all angles, and has what Leo describes as a 'fighting heart.'"



Johnny Potenti, a heavy hitting youngster, who is in the Navy, and comes from New England.



Cozy Storace of Rome, New York, former National AAU champion.

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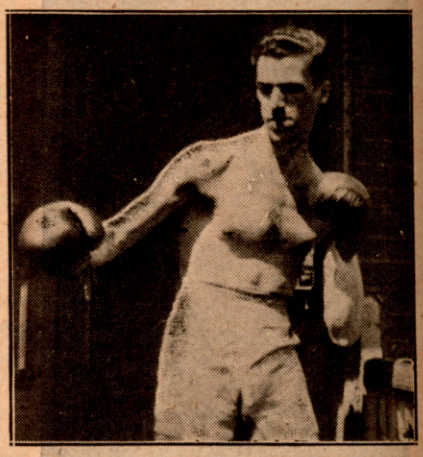
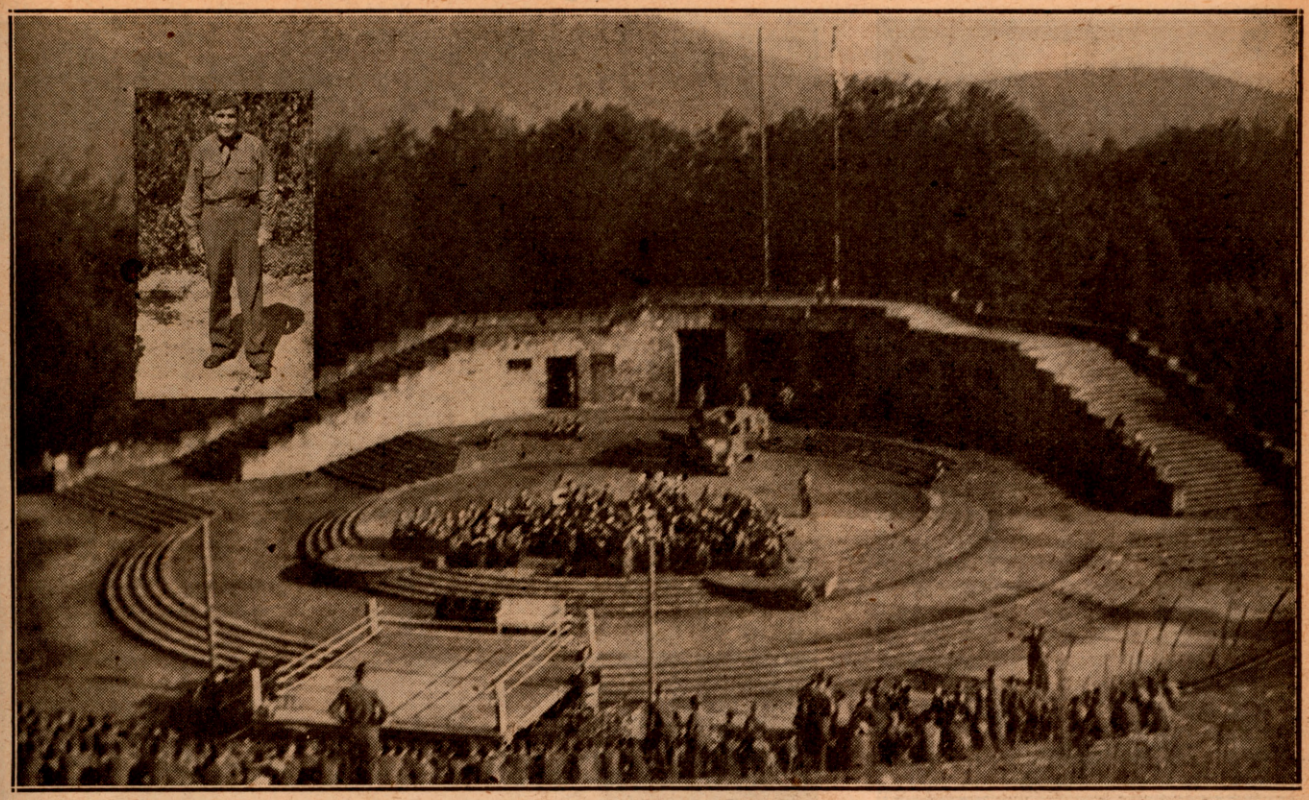
PFC. ALFRED V. (THE ANGEL) ROSASCO, 19, of New York City, recently retained his Third Marine Division regimental heavyweight boxing title and later finished as runner-up in the divisional tournament.

Rosasco, in the regimental finale, scored on his opponent repeatedly with a hard right uppercut.



Freddie "Rickey" Cookson, a member of the Canadian Navy, who as a pro fought in New York State. As a simon pure he had outstanding success in Canada.



The Famous Heidelberg Amphitheatre which has been renamed the Morris Memorial Stadium, in honor of Lt. Herb Morris, 84th Division Athletic Officer, who was killed in action. The stadium is the scene of weekly boxing matches staged by the GI's with Glen Lee, famous American middleweight who fought the cream of his division before getting into service, in charge.

Wounded in the battle for Iwo Jima, where he was a rifleman, he returned to the skirmish after spending five days on a hospital ship.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Mario Rosasco of New York, he enlisted in the Marine Corps in June, 1943, and went overseas in August, 1944.

Short sketches of men in the service follow:

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CPL. ARTHUR SALZMAN

IN the Army over two years, Cpl. Arthur Salzman had been boxing instructor at Fort Monmouth for about 18 months. He is now assisting Lt. William Strawbridge, who is athletic officer of the ASFTC of Camp Crowder. Between them they put on many fine boxing shows. Arthur is a splendid soldier and a likeable fellow.

His father, known as "Jack Curley" in the fight game, began teaching Arthur the art of fisticuffs about 15 years ago. He won practically every boxing tournament he entered as an amateur. Arthur had become so proficient at boxing that he often relieved his father of his duties at Stillman's gym, where Jack Curley has been manager and boxing instructor for 20-odd years.

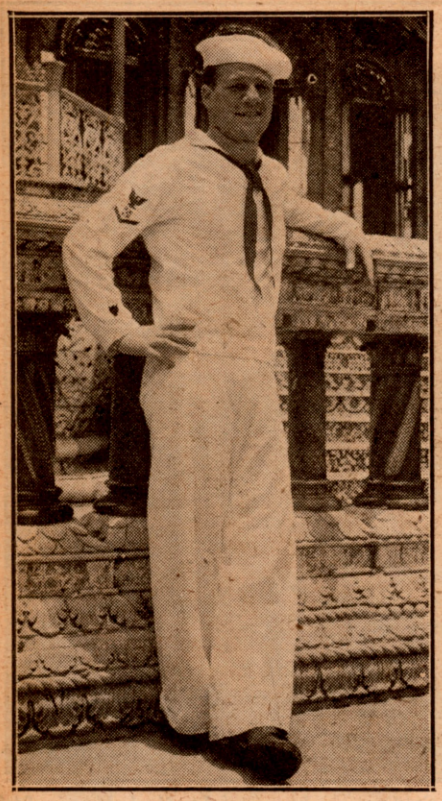
Former lightweight champ Benny Leonard, who saw Arthur participate in some boxing exhibitions, spoke highly of the boy's ability.

Young Salzman might have entered the pro ring, but he chose to enter the Army instead. He intends to remain until mustered out. His hopes for the future are quite definite. "It has been my dream for a long time to operate a gym of my own, a sort of combination training quarters for pugilists and health school for tired businessmen, and women, too," says Arthur. "I've been doing a lot of studying in my spare time and have learned how to correct many ailments by exercise, and that's why I'd like to follow that when I get out of the service."

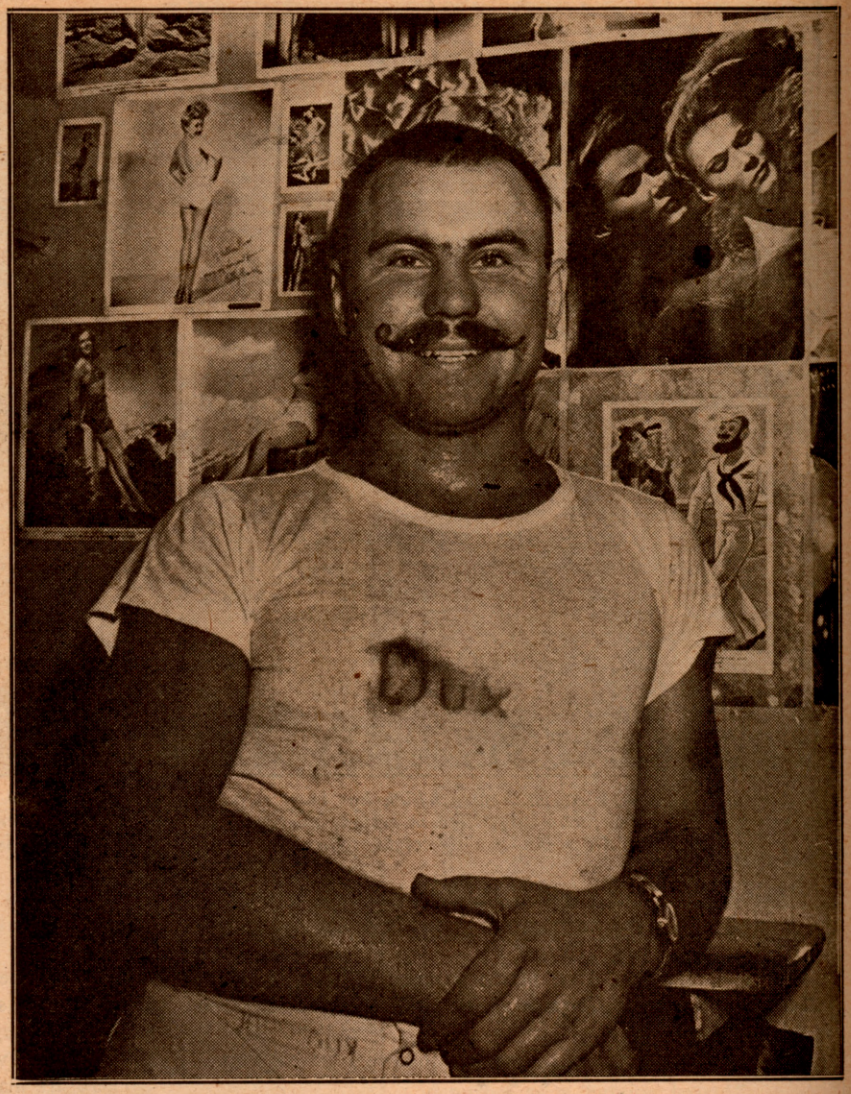
There are many boys like Salzman in the service.

U.S.C.G. Boxers of Groton, Connecticut. Under the supervision of Lt. Robert Kretchmar, Athletic and Recreation Officer, this year's Avery Point's Coast Guard boxing squad is expected to be one of the best Service teams in New England. In past years Groton Coast Guard Boxers have defeated some of the best Army and Navy teams on the East Coast. During the past months, several Inter-Station tournaments have been staged to promote interest in the sport and also to select personnel for a station team.

In the picture, reading from left to right, standing, are Robert Maybon, 185 pounds; Dave Spalding, 130 pounds; Mathew Else, 150 pounds; Raymond Winkler, Boxing Instructor; Dallas Waddell, 160 pounds, Boxing Instructor; Dan Hickey, 170 pounds; Floviel Hollins, 180 pounds. Kneeling, left to right, James Murphy, 135 pounds; Neal Morrison, 165 pounds; George Hart, 155 pounds; Ray Livers, 120 pounds; Charles Shackelford, 175 pounds.



Johnny Colan, one of the hard hitting middleweights from New York who rated among the first ten prior to joining the colors. Johnny is doing a good job in the Navy and hopes soon to get his discharge and resume where he left off.



Coast Guardsman John J. Dux, Sp. 3/c, of Fond-Du-Lac, Wisconsin, a veteran of six Pacific island invasions—Morotai, Leyte, Lingayen Gulf, Manila, Mindanao and Borneo. He was the Wisconsin Golden Gloves winner in 1940 and 1942. He is standing before the pin-up bulletin aboard his ship, a Coast Guard manned LST.

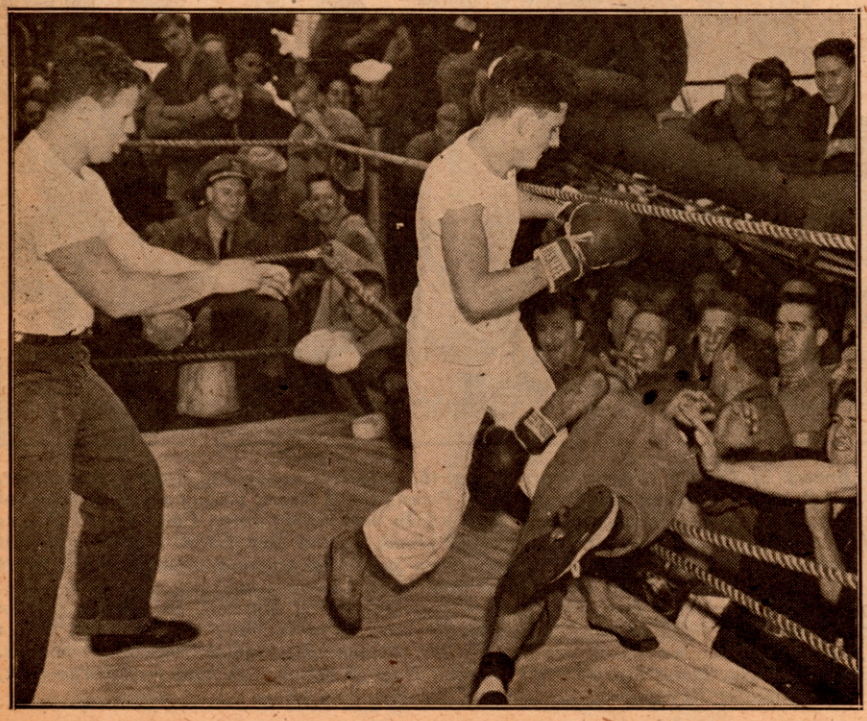
PFC. DENO A. TUFARES

PFC. DENO A. TUFARES of Wichita Falls, Texas, is now serving in New Guinea with the 44th Tank Division as a bow gunner. He was one of Texas' best boxers. He won the title of north Texas champion in his weight every year that he competed in the T.A.A.F. tournament. He is bantamweight champ for the duration in T.A.A.F.

Tufares was also a Golden Gloves participant and was a state quarter finalist in 1941, and entered the finals in the 1942 tourney. He was a popular fighter among the Texas fans. He won the western Oklahoma school tournament in 1941. He attended the Allen Military Academy of Bryan, Texas, on a boxing scholarship.

Tufares was known to most fans as "The Grinning Greek." In September, 1943, he was inducted into the service and received most of his training in Kentucky. From there he went overseas in April, 1944, and was wounded on March 4, 1945.

Deno Tufares is now back on duty. He received the Silver Star Medal for gallantry in action Luzon Island from Col. Joseph



Entertainment for America's fighting men en route home from the battlefields of Europe aboard a Coast Guard manned troop transport is provided by members of the ship's crew. Hard hitting Coast Guardsman Jerome Polansky of the Bronx, N. Y., has just knocked his opponent through the ropes much to the amusement of the spectators. The referee is Coast Guardsman Al Reid, former New York hard hitting lightweight contender.

L. Dark, Commanding Officer of the 13th Armored Group. He is still fighting as he did in the ring, but with more power, more strength, and a heck of a lot more confidence.

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COZY STORACE

CASEY COSTELLO, Rome, N. Y., boxer, who as "Cozy Storace" won the national amateur 147-pound championship a few years ago, has received a medical discharge from the Navy, after three years' service, during which he contributed laudatory efforts as a boxing instructor at the Naval Operating Base at Key West, Florida.

Costello, a Chief Specialist, developed several championship boxing teams and made such a splendid instructor he was often called upon to teach other instructors the Navy way of imparting fistic knowledge to the gobs.

Recurrent attacks of malaria and a back injury, suffered while training at boot camp in Sampson, caused Casey to be given an honorable medical discharge following the surrender of the Japanese.

While stationed at the Florida base, Costello trained hundreds of aspiring young glove wielders and developed some promising material. He staged the boxing shows for the sailors and did such a fine job during his service he was highly praised by the Commanding Officer for his work.

Morale boosting was another of Casey's contributions. The boys in blue at Key West loved him and presented him with several tokens of their appreciation for his efforts when they learned he had been released.

Costello plans to go into business and will conduct a tavern and open a boxing gymnasium in Rome.

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JOHNNY POTENTI

JOHNNY POTENTI is a member of the U. S. Navy who hopes to resume his pro career when discharged. He is only 21 years old and has an excellent record. He started his fistic career in 1943, seven months after he got his first lessons from Vernon Cormier, his present manager, and won seven bouts in a row before being inducted into service. He stopped Eddie Roman, Mal Smallwood, Freddie Graham, Babe Synott, Lew Greenberg and Gene Margardia and won from Leo Sawicki.

Potenti is a heavy hitter with either hand. In four of his fights, his wallops put the opponent through the ropes. Johnny has three brothers, each of whom is in the service.

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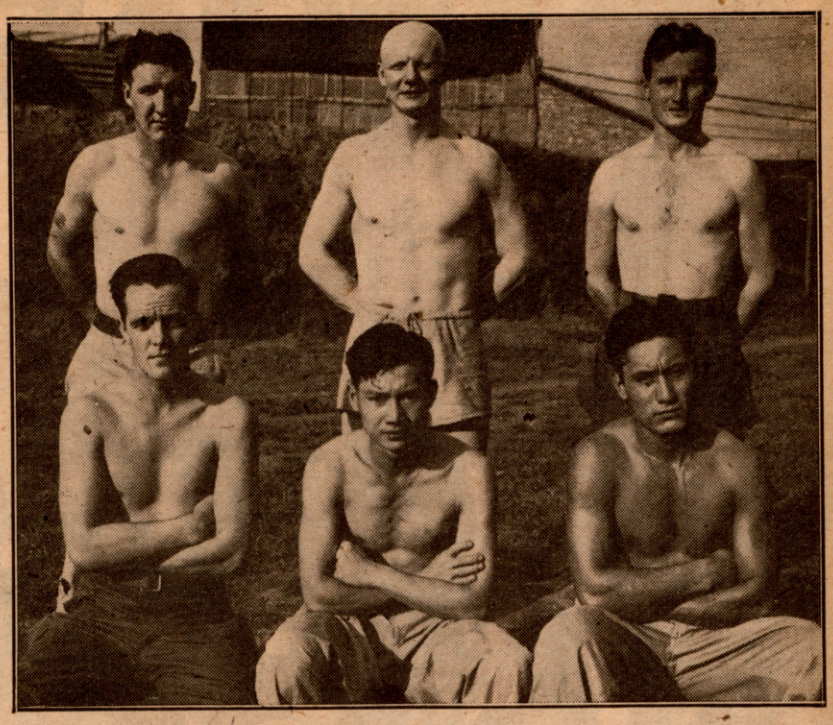
BERNIE CUMMINGS

BERNIE CUMMINGS has been boxing since he was 15 years old. He started as a 154-pounder and won three out of the four bouts to date. He was 18 on May 27. He weighs 172 and is five feet nine inches.

He is a good all-around athlete and a good ball player. A Brooklyn Dodger scout asked him to go to Bear Mountain for a tryout with the Dodgers. He practiced with the Brooklyn team for a little over a week, but didn't like it. He is fast on his feet, is a fair boxer and a hard puncher with either hand. He has a good left hook and a right cross that only travels about six to eight inches. He can bob and weave and is a quick thinker, a good counter-puncher, and has a fighting heart.

Cummings is now in the Navy at Sampson, N. Y.

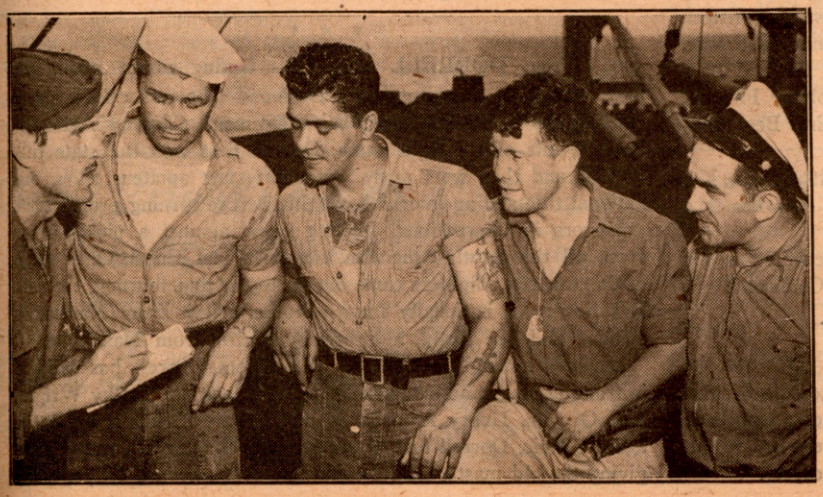


Lt. Dimitri J. Tadich, former Pacific Conference champion heavyweight at the University of Washington. He is pictured with five members of the Chinese Combat Command headquarters boxing team, of which Tadich is coach. He held down a varsity guard position at the University of Washington until Uncle Sam called him. Members of the team are: Sitting, Pvt. Ardel White, Salt Lake City; Shung Chen, C.C.C. hostel house boy; Pfc. Epifanio L. Garcia, San Antonio, Tex. Standing, Pfc. Deacon Moore, Pataros, Wash.; Tadich; Pfc. Hal W. Blackeby, Mount Kisco, N. Y.

BILL MERLINO

STAFF SGT. BILL MERLINO, a Quartermaster School, Camp Lee, Va., light-heavyweight boxer, hailing from Staten Island, N. Y., demonstrated his ring technique in handling a heavier and more experienced opponent in a recent bout at Camp Lee, Va. Sgt. Merlino, thoroughly conditioned for his bout, took Cap Wright, a former light-heavyweight champion of the Army in hand and dominated his actions in both attack and defense. Merlino showed his ability to handle his opponent with a series of swift straight lefts and damaging right hooks. His ring form was an outstanding phase of his performance.

Sgt. Merlino is being groomed by Maj. E. J. Wright of the Quartermaster School, Camp Lee, for his initial appearance in the Norfolk, Va., bouts this month.



Heading for the good old U.S.A. after months spent along the battlefields of Europe, these GI's met fellow former boxers among the crew of the huge Coast Guard-manned troop transport which was ferrying them home. The group includes, left to right: Pvt. Tom Ephrem of Jacksonville, Fla.; Coast Guardsman Alec Panciera, Specialist 2/c, of Westerly, R. I.; Coast Guardsman Bill Maden, Water Tender 1/c, of Oakland, Calif.; Sgt. Gerry Hall of Braintree, Mass., and Coast Guardsman J. P. Montesano, Chief Machinist's Mate, of Chicago, Ill. Pvt. Ephrem is THE RING *Magazine correspondent.*

Coach Vernon C. Braasch, former University of Nebraska heavyweight, gives a few pointers to the formidable Personnel Distribution Command boxing team. The men, left to right, are: Hardy Sorkin, Eddie Bangs, Chris Sparks, Wayne Armstrong, Artie Dorrell and Coach Braasch.

Overseas Vets Taught *by* Pros

FEATURING the extensive boxing program for overseas returnees at the San Antonio District AAF Personnel Distribution Command and Convalescent Hospital are the spectacular performances of three battlers well known in the world of fisticuffs. They are Wayne Armstrong from Ponca, Nev., Eddie Bangs from Mass., and Artie Dorrell from Tyler, Tex.

Armstrong is the youngster whom THE RING Magazine selected in 1941 as the outstanding newcomer among some 160 middleweights then listed. And the rugged mid-westerner has come a long way along the championship road since then.

First mile-stone in the boxing career of the 23-year-old slugger came in 1939 when he won the Sioux City Golden Gloves title. In 1940 he registered seventeen wins in twenty starts.

Following his enlistment in the army air forces, Armstrong won the Camp Lee middleweight championship winning fifteen consecutive bouts. In his battles around San Antonio, Baltimore, and other boxing centers, Armstrong has gained the nod over such fighters as Don Kelly, George Richardson, Johnny Finazzo, and Al Manfredo. He also numbers among his victims Ben Johnson, Julie Cerna, and Pelon Garcia.

In 33 professional bouts Armstrong has won 19 by the KO route and eight by decision while losing six. He now boasts a string of 13 consecutive victories.

Handling the destinies of this promising middleweight is big Gene Dargan, also of the Personnel Distribution Command.

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EDDIE BANGS, welter threat from Boston, presents the story of courage and determination so characteristic of men of championship caliber. Eddie is now in the midst of a comeback following an attack of spinal meningitis which threatened to put him down for the count for the first time in his career.

An up and coming battler of championship proportions, Eddie won the National Golden Gloves welter title in 1940. Shortly thereafter, Nat Fleischer of THE RING Magazine tabbed him as one of the classiest welterweights in the East.

Since coming into the army air forces, Bangs has won the all-service welterweight championship, gaining a decision in the final round over Sam Secreet at Miami Beach.

All in all, Bangs has had 120 professional fights, four of which were in Madison Square Garden. Among his victims are such well-known fighters as Dave Castilloux of Montreal, Johnny Rinaldi of The Bronx, Irish Eddie McGeever of Scranton, Georgie Martin of Boston, and Jimmy Leto of Hartford.

Bangs, who has never been knocked out, has won 22 out of 24 fights since enlisting in the air forces, and he later defeated the two men who gained decisions over him.

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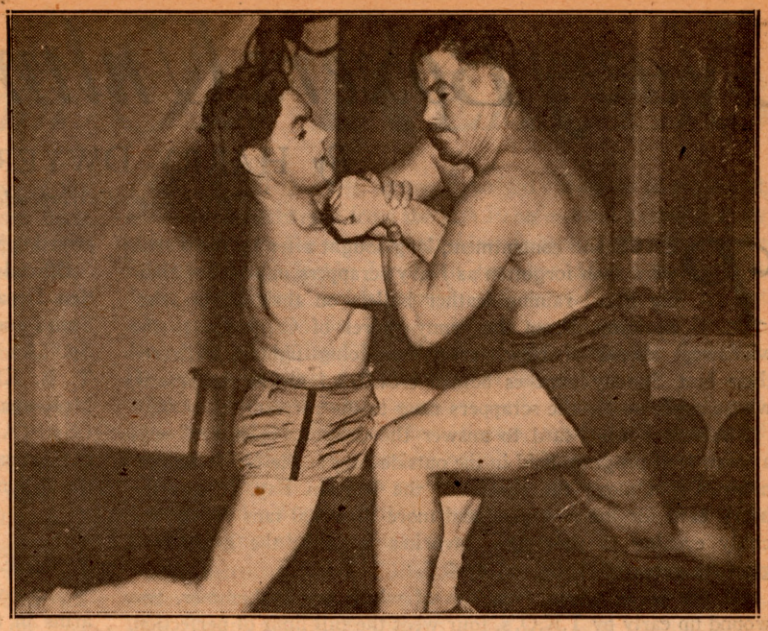
ARTIE DORRELL started his boxing career under the aegis of the astute Sam Desmond who was once a great club fighter in Philadelphia. With Desmond showing Artie the ins and outs of the fight game, Dorrell first won the state title in 1935 and then went on to win eight state amateur titles, one national title and an international title before turning pro in 1939.

Honors in international fighting came against a picked team from all the South American countries and Cuba. Only three of the American fighters came out on top in that tourney, Dorrell, Bill Speary, a nationally known featherweight from Nanticoke, Penna., and Joe Kelly, a lightweight, also from Nanticoke.

Included among the battlers with whom Dorrell has worked in training bouts and exhibitions are Lew Jenkins, Chalky Wright, Ken Overlin, Henry Armstrong, and Fritzie Zivic. In his battle against Zivic, Dorrell lost on a cut eye in the seventh round after giving the old master all he could *(Continued on page 35)*

HAGAN LONGS *for* RETURN *to* GRUNT *and* GROAN TILTS



First Sgt. Frank Lomastro (left) and S/Sgt. Ed. Prudhomme, in a friendly tussle in Germany. The sergeant is well known in pro wrestling circles as Jack Hagan, an outstanding light-heavyweight.

PLENTY of time for practice but no actual competition in sight is the plight of S/Sgt. Edward C. Prudhomme, well known Louisiana sports figure, now with the 472nd Air Service Group stationed at a former Luftwaffe base with the Ninth Air Force Command at Erlanger, near Nurnberg, Germany. Prudhomme, who wrestles professionally under the name of Jack Hagan, got his start in New Orleans 10 years ago. He has held the N.W.A. light-heavyweight championship and the Pacific Coast middleweight title, but for 22 months overseas in England, France and Germany, Jack has been looking for other paid members of the cauliflower ear fraternity to give him a little competition and has been successful only once.

Jack spent a large part of his colorful career on the Pacific Coast, though he has wrestled all over the United States. He also made a world tour, grappling the best to be found in Mexico, Cuba, Jamaica, Newfoundland, Canada, Honolulu, South Africa, Palestine, and the European countries. He did very well in England and France before the war, and now that things have quieted down a bit, he is trying to renew his contacts in London and Paris in hopes of getting some matches.

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HAGAN'S one appearance while in the ETO was a wild and wooly thriller at a London Red Cross Club. He was matched against another American professional, while still suffering from an attack of the flu brought on by an important plane salvage job performed in the midst of the English winter, to which his Louisiana blood was in no way accustomed. Groggy before entering the ring, Jack decided that his best chance lay in reducing his opponent to the same state, and the howling fans soon saw the other wrestler thrown bodily out of the ring to land among the first few rows of spectators.

This was only part of the story, however. The referee, a British captain, had been a commando trainer, and apparently anxious to demonstrate his prowess in the manly art, continually applied judo holds to break the contestants instead of the usual vocal commands. Incensed at this attempt to get attention from the crowd, Hagan threw him out of the ring, too. Jack was promptly disqualified.

However, his opponent was too far gone to enter a final bout which had been arranged for the evening's winners and Hagan was entered—with another referee taking over. Again he threw his man out of the ring and after 30 minutes the bout was called a draw.

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PRUDHOMME'S army career has also been outstanding. He was sheet metal chief of a mobile unit in the 472nd, which served the famous Pioneer Mustang fighters throughout the European campaign. He designed and modified the first P-51 ever converted into a two-seater. Blueprints for later planes given this re-designing, were made from the work of Sgt. Prudhomme. The first plane, "The Stars Look Down," was the one in which General Eisenhower made his epic flight over the Normandy battlefield in July, 1944. Prudhomme was the first enlisted man to fly as a passenger in a P-51.

Now that time is available for recreation he is working out every day with First Sergeant Frank Lomastro of Providence, R. I. Together for 22 months in Europe, the two grapplers have accumulated enough equipment for a good sized gymnasium which they have set up in an unused attic.

Jack Hagan held the Louisiana middleweight wrestling championship in 1932. He was the Pacific Coast middleweight wrestling champion in 1937 and claimed the world's light-heavyweight championship in 1939 when he beat Bill Weidner at Cincinnati, Ohio. He lost the title to Dorry Detton in Columbus, Ohio, in 1939.

He traveled abroad in 1939 and 1940 and answered the call to colors in 1942. He was in the first Army Air Force unit to reach Normandy, in June 1944.

During the course of the war he entered Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, Czechoslovakia, Austria and Italy. On occasions when he was not on active duty he entertained the boys with exhibitions.

Dons Priest's Garb to Escape Nazis

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toured Italy, he got together with Steve and briefed him on the latest doings in Pittsburgh where Steve had handled such well known fighters as Nathan Mann, Aldo Spoldi and Cleto Locatelli.

Now Steve is a popular figure to GI's in Italy and numbers among his friends many GI fight aspirants in addition to Bill Gilham, *Stars and Stripes* sports editor, Capt. Peter Wilson, sports editor of the British newspaper *Union Jack*, and Don Cowie, sports editor of the Canadian *Maple Leaf*.

During his years in Italy Steve had a chance to watch quite a number of young Italian fighters emerge as outstanding prospects for championships and already has several of them under contract with a view to bringing them to the States when this is possible.

His outstanding fighter is lightweight Roberto Proietti, who once held the Italian lightweight crown. He has fought several well-rated GI's during the last two seasons and beat them all, usually via the K.O. route. Nothing in Italy, either local or GI, has been able to stop him.

Augusto Teti and Domenica Di Stefano are two hard-punching Italian middleweights under contract to Steve who also showed plenty of class in mixing with Allied fighters. Promoters who are looking forward to a postwar boxing boom shouldn't overlook these foreign prospects.

Navy Boxers Unlimber Big Guns

By HARRY DWYER, CSM

Navy's RING *Correspondent*

PEACE and contentment, long sought after by the world, were soon forgotten as Navy scrappers unlimbered their big guns, raining leather bullets on their adversaries' anatomy. From the sunny shores of California to the windswept shores of New Jersey, sea-going fighters delivered their best Sunday punches before crowds of ardent fight fans, whose applause for the scrappers rang to the rafters.

The first boxing card to answer the call of "open fire" was a seven-bout program held in the outside ring at the Navy Ammunition Depot along the shores of the Raritan Bay. It was the initial card for the new year and more than 400 fans braved the chilly evening to root their favorites home in the grand and glorious game of "sock and duck."

Of the seven bouts, each one of which was a hummer, two wound up early by T.K.O.'s, four went the full limit of perfection, and one was called an even-steven.

Ringing down the curtain in the opener were a pair of Negro scrappers who looked more like the familiar pair of game cocks. Ben Tremble, 120-pounder from Cincinnati, and Ken Kennedy of Chicago, went at it hammer and tongs for a few minutes, belting each other with everything but the bucket, but the bout was called off after the end of the first heat, Tremble sustaining a deep cut on the right eye, which bled profusely.

The extra clout given by Harry Jones, Boston's gift to the 140-pounders, proved to be the nemesis of Frank Farinari of New York City, who put up a game but losing fight against his tougher opponent. Both boys raised the battle flag on each other, firing salvo after salvo from their human machine guns.

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JOHNNY WILLETS, lightweight from Rochester, N. Y., and Dick Bish of Pittsburgh came on the range with blood in their eyes and determination in their hearts. Willets, fighting in the southpaw style, proved to be adept in getting inside the long left jabs of Bish, whose blows literally spoke when they landed on the target. However, point for point, the Rochester boy seemed to be the master of the situation and copped the duke when the last bell tolled off the finish of the melee.

"Big Chief" Ed Kequom, fighting Indian from Frederick, Wis., gave the fans a brilliant display of pounding them in where they counted most in his Donnybrook with Carl Norseworthy, and it was not until the "cease firing" signal, midway in the second canto, that Norseworthy, who hails from Jackson, Ga., decided that it wasn't his night to fire leather.

A pair of rangy welterweights furnished the fireworks in the fifth bout. Howard Johnson, Pittsburgh, Pa., and George Coburn, Jacksonville, Fla., two cagy Negro boys, split in their setto, landing blows that resounded throughout the arena. For three heats the lads never missed a signal and at the end of the bout, both were rewarded by having their hands raised in the air.

Leroy Scales, classy little Negro boy, hailing from Des Moines, Ia., was too smart for Tom "Squirrel" Blanton, 125-pounder from Gastonia, N. C. The former, a neat package of lightning once he got started, was head and shoulders over the boxer from the Tarheel State, who had the stamina and courage, but not the wherewithal to cope with the more experienced Des Moines scrapper.

The main event brought out another Donnybrook affair with Nat Strickler of Brooklyn and Leon Smith, hard-hitting Negro scrapper from Paterson, N. J., dishing out the wallops which caught the eyes of the fans, who yelled with delight as the pair of lighties traveled through a fast bout.

Early in the opening stanza, the boy from Flatbush caught his opponent with a long, looping right which almost draped the Paterson entry over the ropes in his own corner, but Smith never faltered and came back for more, driving home some nifties before the final bell rang. The bout went to Strickler and the crowd gave both boys a nice hand as they left the ring.

Officials for the program, which was sponsored by the Recreation Department of the "boom-boom depot," were: Judges, Lt. Smith and CSp. (A) Bob Hinkley; timekeeper, Dick Gallagher, Sp. (A) 1/c; referees, Harry Dwyer (first six bouts) and Lt. T. B. Klepac (main event); medical attendant, R. J. "Doc" McKenna, and announcer, "Red" Palland. "Skippy" Keenan, CSp. (A), handled the matchmaking department and worked the Leonardo fighters, and Ed Gomedela, Sp. (A) 1/c, handled the destinies of the opposing team.

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UNDER the shadow of the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco, and spurred on by the exploits of their brothers-in-arms in the South Pacific, boxers from the Naval Air Station at Alameda, Calif., brought all their cunningness and boxing integrity into play, capturing the boxing crown of the 12th Naval District. The bouts were held at the Alameda base, where a capacity crowd turned out to witness the scraps. Representatives from Monterey, Treasure Island and San Bruno answered the starting bell for the fisticuffs.

Fighting in the 132-pound class, Bill Begnan, Treasure Island entry, and Rocky Meade from Monterey, slugged it out with each other but wound up in a draw when the votes of the judges were counted.

Chuck Cureton, Alameda Air, made it one up for his stable when he T.K.O.'ed his rival, Nobel Johnson of San Bruno.

Willie Williams, 130-pound bale of fighting airman, added salt to the wounds of his opponents when he took home the verdict against the might of Cliff Merriman of the Monterey stables.

Johnny Smith, another Alameda entry, went over on the credit side for his alma mater, when he decisioned George Krockma, carrying the colors of San Bruno. Ted Ellis, Monterey Air, hung one over on Alameda when he took his bout from Joe Costa via the T.K.O. route. Floyd Hagen, Treasure Island scrapper, tried his darnedest to get inside the defenses of Dick Lee of Monterey Air, but Lee, knowing the dynamite which Hagen carried in his upholstered mittens, never gave the T.I. entry a chance, and managed to get away with the decision to add one for Monterey. All three bouts were in the welterweight division.

Larry Williams, 150-pounder from the man-made island, fighting in the southpaw stance, caught Jimmy DeWolfe of San Bruno with a smashing left, decking the San Bruno boy, then followed it up with a terrific right to DeWolfe's jaw, which the latter fighter never rallied from.

Ted Allen, San Bruno's entry in the 167-pound class, brought home the bacon in his bout with Earl Woods of Treasure Island, whose game fight was applauded by the fans.

The heavyweight bout between Dave Green, San Bruno Air, and George Force, Alameda Air, went the limit to a draw with the two scrappers displaying all their talents to the fans, who responded with applause.

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TALENT galore featured the boxing show staged by Lester "Red" Green, former Coast boxing luminary, now a CSp. (A), handling the boxing reins at the Naval Training Station at San Diego, Calif., when half a dozen fighting sailors squared off against their opponents in the weekly card held at the southern California station's emporium of swat.

A full house saw Pat Williamson upset the applecart of Gene Penland, pride of the Radio School, in one of the fightingest scraps seen in many moons. For three heats, Williamson and Penland hammered away at each other with no let-up while the crowd, eager for the kill, applauded wildly as the sluggers played "give and take" all over the ring. At the finish of the melee, the decision, a close one, was awarded to Williamson.

Rallying in the final heat of the *(Continued on page 35)*

LETTERS *from* *Our* READERS

MY SON, Lt. R. D. Madland, who is in the Navy in the Pacific, wrote to me to get your All-Time Record Book for him. Congratulations on the good work you are doing for the Armed Forces. From what my boy tells me and from what I hear around here from the enlisted personnel of the Army and Navy, you and your work is one of the greatest single civilian influences for good that has come into their lives since hostilities began.

FRANK C. MADLAND,
El Paso, Texas.

Thanks for these kind thoughts. I deeply appreciate the sentiments expressed by you and your son, and trust that it won't be long now before your son and the millions of others will be back in civilian life enjoying normal living. But while this war is on, we must do our little bit to help the morale of those who are shouldering arms for us. I assure you that I get as much of a kick and enjoyment out of the special work I am doing as are the boys in the service who read my publication or see my sound films of famous fights and hear my lectures. Again thanks.—The Editor

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I'VE been a follower of your great magazine for a long, long time and I don't think any book can compare with THE RING for swell boxing news, old or new. I've had the great pleasure of meeting such great fighters as Jackie Jurich, Tony Olivera, Panama Al Brown, Eddie Marcus, Red Green, Chuck Woods and others. I was sailing with the Merchant Marine for over three years and made a round-the-world trip with Jurich. He was a member of the gun crew aboard ship and was very well liked by everyone. It was swell sailing with him. I did quite a bit of boxing with him and I think he's still one of the world's best.

Jackie is doing a fine job as a boxing instructor at Bainbridge, Maryland, and is praised by everybody stationed there. I forgot to tell you I'm in the Navy.

LIDEO BALDREZ, F2c,
Gulfport, Miss.

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FROM a sergeant in the American Army in Italy came this pathetic message:

"We have in this American hospital Somewhere in Italy a young British soldier who is blind in both eyes as a result of the bursting of an enemy shell on the battlefield. His is a hopeless case so far as seeing is concerned, but he is a cheerful fellow who prior to his enlistment was a good athlete and loves sports. Particularly interested is he in boxing. He craves for news of his favorite pastime but has been unable to get much from the papers we receive here.

"He heard that THE RING Magazine reaches some of the boys on the Italian front and has asked me to find out if he can subscribe to your publication so that someone here can read the boxing news to him, and thus bring to him a source of happiness. I don't know how to go about it but was informed that if I wrote to you, I would obtain the necessary information.

"Tell me how much to send and where to send for the subscription. Also this boy is very eager to get a copy of Nat Fleischer's All-Time Ring Record Book. He keeps talking about the book and asks if there isn't some way of having one sent to the hospital and he will pay for it. I know that those of us here will be glad to read to him if we can only get THE RING and Record Book at the hospital. Please do what you can to help this poor fellow."

I have shipped a number of RINGS *to the hospital with my compliments. I have also sent, in care of you, an autographed copy of my All-Time Ring Record Book. Give it to the blind soldier. Tell him that I pray that my little gift will bring to him a little of the joy he seeks in his hours of total darkness. It is a pleasure to be able to aid him with the little that he asks. I wish there were some fund to care for more such cases.*

SGT. PETER KANE, former flyweight champion of the world, has been discharged from the R.A.F. on medical grounds. Peter must have been the world's unluckiest fighter. Since winning the title by beating Jackie Jurich, ill luck has dogged his path. A finger amputation, weight trouble and several bites by his pet Alsatian, has been his lot. An injury to the pupil of his eye, caused by a coat lapel last March, brought about his discharge. He was advised then and there to quit the ring.

Eddie Phillips, a former sergeant in the R.A.F., is dabbling in films now. He appears as Tom Sayers, famous old pugilist of bare-knuckle days, in a picture called "Champagne Charlie."

Tommy Trinder, British screen star, plays the lead. Eddie, one-time contender for the British heavyweight title, beat Farr when Tommy was a strong contender in England.

Sgt.-Instructor Cyril Gallie, former British Army amateur welterweight, hung up the scalps of Harry Lazar, Jimmy Watson, Dick Sheilds and Mick Gibbons in his first four pro fights and earned $2000 for turning the trick. That isn't hay for a serviceman in war time. Considered by many as Britain's best post-war welter prospect, Gallie is managed by Norman Sherman, who handles his affairs for nothing. How about that?

In my Dittybox—Sgt. Rex Arnold, Dom Volante's heavyweight protege, is cashing in some good wins, via the short route, back in the U.K. . . . Seaman Terry Allen is London's hope of the future, for the world's 112 lb. title. Terry is managed by cagy old Johnny Sharpe. . . . Sgt. Arthur Danahar, fast-stepping Irish Guardsman, deserves a title tilt with the British welterweight king, R.A.F. Sergeant Ernie Roderick. . . . Sgt. Jack London, R.A.F., received a grand ovation from his own townsfolk at West Hartlepool.

RICHARD FUTTER,
H.M.S. Victorian

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BELIEVE ME, I certainly was pleased when I picked up the January issue and read the letter Doc Avery had written to you from Millis, Mass. Many times during the past year or so I have thought that Boxing as a whole, should do something for the returning boys who may come back to this country maimed, blind or unfit to carry on as one that is physically fit.

Perhaps "seeing-eye-dogs" could be purchased for the blind . . . artificial limbs for the maimed. Maybe a ranch or farm for the ones who need a rest . . . transportation for the lads that may have to travel to hospital centers for various operations. I believe one particular plan or aid should be adopted and carried through to the limit.

It would be a big job. However, we can do big things and care should be taken to see that it is a total success regardless of whatever steps may be taken.

As Doc stated the industry as well as the fans will be interested and willing to help, once it is started.

ALLEN M. MUNN.

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JUST a few lines to let you know that I'm well and hope this letter finds you the same. I received two packages from the Everlast Sports Goods Company, containing two punching bags, two sets of striking gloves, two ropes, and also two headguards sent by you. I want you to know that words can never express the sincerest thanks of the boys out here far from home, for your generosity, so I won't bother to try. The boys and myself still enjoy reading your magazine every month and by the time we are through with them I'm surprised to see any pages left. I wonder if you could send me by mail the complete record of my cousin, Allie Nack, who boxed during the same years as Leonard. I'd appreciate that very much. When, where, he boxed and the outcome.

Thank you very much for your kind consideration, and I hope I'll be able to send you some Jap trophies. Keep well.

"YOUNG" ALLIE NACK.

NORTHWEST RECOVERING *from* FISTIC DROUGHT

By JIM JOHNSTON

THE Northwest, where many of the Allied troops from Canada and the United States and England were stationed, has produced within the past two years a number of boxers who show promise. The interest in pugilism has increased considerably as a result of the war and it won't be long now before that section of the continent will be buzzing with boxing activity. Seattle, Portland, Oregon, and Vancouver have experienced a revival in the sport and judging by the crowds attending the fights, these places are rapidly regaining their position as good boxing centers. Two outstanding fighters in British Columbia at this writing are Hank Egli and Jackie Turner.

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VANCOUVER fans are singing the praises of Hank Egli, a handsome airman scaling 160 pounds, who has caught the fancy of the local fight gentry. Hank Egli was born in Keremeous, B. C., 25 years ago. Hank has been keen on boxing ever since he was a youngster. He used to lure his pals into his basement and then calmly pulverize them. While still a novice, Hank entered the Vancouver Golden Gloves tourney and did remarkably well. Hank got into the final but lost to veteran Norm Dawson.

After this followed many victories mostly by the quick slumber route. Among his victims were—Ronnie Whalley, Hi Berry (seven times), J. Tuni, Jerry Pittato and Tom Brown. Then Hank met his old rival, Norm Dawson, in the semi to the Harvey Dubs-Young Tommy Burns fight at Victoria and fought him to a draw.

Last summer Hank fought to a draw with Phil Palmer who is now in New York. In the semi to the Lindsay-Dolan card, Hank decisioned Frankie Rann, former Chicago Golden Gloves champ. In other battles this year, Hank has beaten Kid Kornato, Freddie Carr and was stopped in seven heats by Warner Holland. Hank did well until he received a cut eye which got so bad the fight had to be stopped. Hank is now being trained by Joe Martin.

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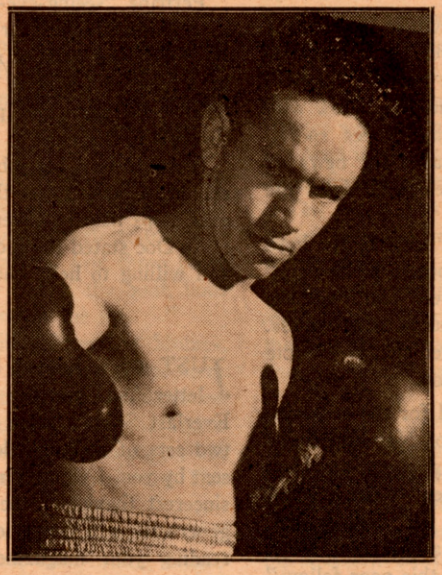
JACKIE TURNER is the outstanding Canadian bantamweight of the Northwest. He will soon be in the fistic spotlight. Jackie is one of the best boxers, pound for pound, in the bantamweight division today. Jackie has fought the best bantams in the Northwest and Western Canada and has nearly always come out on top. Turner, whose style of boxing reminds one of a buzz-saw, has a draw to his credit with Kenny Lindsay, featherweight champ of Canada and former bantamweight contender.

Jackie has served three years in the Canadian Navy and will soon receive a discharge. He is married and is the proud papa of two boys.

For three years in succession as an amateur, Turner won the flyweight title in the Vancouver and Seattle Golden Glove tourneys. In 80 fights, both amateur and pro, Jackie has lost only six bouts. In recent bouts Jackie has been forced to give away as much as eight pounds due to a lack of bantams in the Northwest.

Watch THE RING Ratings—it won't be long before Jackie Turner's name appears on this list.

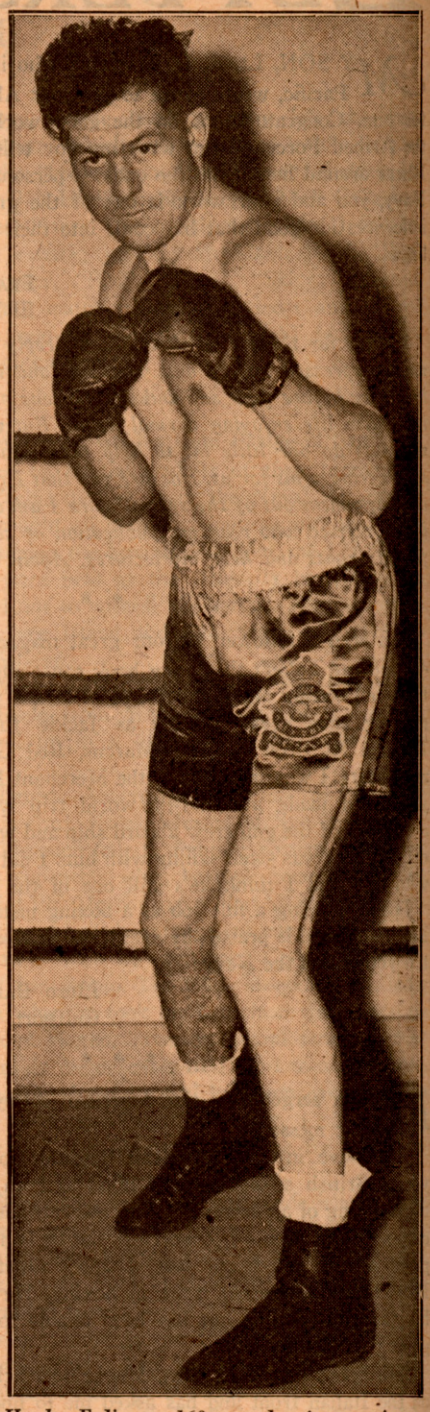


Jackie Turner, regarded in Vancouver as the best bantamweight turned out in the Northwest in many moons.

JOE WATERMAN, who has promoted boxing in all parts of the Northwest, a veteran with many years' service, thinks so highly of the comeback of this locality as a boxing center that he has his eyes open for new talent and hopes shortly to launch boxing on a big scale. While this section has been dormant for a long time owing to lack of talent, such no longer is the case. Uncle Sam's service men saw to that. Also Canadian service men who have been stationed in the sector.

It will be recalled that when Jimmy McLarnin, who later won the world welterweight championship, came to the fore, he opened the field for many other lads who reading of his success, took up boxing and made good. Unfortunately most of the lads who were making headway before Canada joined the Allies in the world war had to give up the sport but many of these are being discharged and between them and the newcomers who have only recently turned pro, the Northwest, particularly Vancouver, Portland and Tacoma should be a hotbed of boxing ere long.

The money seems to be on hand to pay for good boxing shows and once the talent is available, the sport will get back on its feet with a bang. We have the promoters and we are now developing the talent.



Hank Egli, a 160-pound airman from Keremeous, B. C., who is making a hit in Vancouver boxing circles.

Boxing's Aid to GI's

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star boxing trail, as commented above by THE RING Editor. Illustrative of the general trend of these communications, too numerous to mention in detail, is the following, written under date of August 9, 1945, Philippine Islands, by Sgt. Jerry Miller:

"I was very much surprised and very much pleased to receive the boxing equipment from you. You will never know how much we boys of the squadron here appreciate your gifts. We sure are making good use of them and enjoy them very much. You can imagine how they help pass away many lonely hours. It will be surprising if some very good boxers don't materialize from the chance they are getting.

"We are going to hold a squadron tournament as soon as it can be arranged. Your generosity will never be forgotten by all the boys here. You have certainly made many friends in the squadron, for most of the boys are strong for boxing. In closing, let me say again for them all—thanks a lot!"

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THE RING MAGAZINE office was a never-to-be-missed goal for the uniformed lads who hit New York City on furlough. They came in hundreds, day after day, eager to gaze on the museum display of souvenirs of pugilism, past and present, gloves worn in great battles, watches owned nearly a century ago by dead and gone champions, silver and gold belts that once clasped the athletic waists of sovereign fighting men—they missed nothing and went away overjoyed, to tell their comrades all about the fistic wonderland.

Now that peace has come, the familiar martial uniforms will soon be a rarer sight in the city streets, replaced by the soberer, dull garb of civic life. THE RING Editor will miss his once constant visitors, wanderers from the sea and battlegrounds in foreign lands. But not even the destructive hand of old Father Time will ever eliminate the pleasant memories of the days when they hailed him as a fistic Santa Claus who bestowed gifts abundantly without waiting for the conventional Yuletide season. Likewise they will never forget the morale building efforts of Mike Jacobs and his group and Jerry Geisler and his California aides who so generously gave their time to gather funds to provide recreation for our boys in the camps.

Navy Boxers

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bout with Wayne Rankin of the Radio School, Fred Kornegay, Co. 327, came through to earn a popular decision after the slugfest had ended.

Bobby L'Hoste, Co. 311, and Jasper Leone, Co. 337, slugged their way through three hectic rounds that resembled a pair of longshoremen arguing about their union, with the faster fighting L'Hoste proving more adept at throwing punches against the faster stepping Leone.

Manuel Ochotorena, Co. 337, and Walter Thibodeaux, Co. 307, staged one of the finest exhibitions of boxing skill seen on the program with the machinelike style of Manuel winning over the precision boxing of Thibodeaux.

With never a let-up in their murderous assault on each other, Tony Barbara, Co. 315, and Ted Carvell, Fire Control School, all but committed mayhem in their setto. However, a terrific overhand right in the second frame from the artillery of Barbara rocked Carvell. Barbara followed it up with a barrage of punches that spelled doom for Carvell, who went out by a T.K.O.

Mike Hannifer, Co. 338, wasn't fast enough for Tom Brooks, Co. 285, who walked off with the duke at the end of the bout.

Don Harmon, Radio School, outsmarted all the bombardment thrown at him by Fred Waterman, Co. 279, and copped the duke.

Wayne Allison, Fire Control School, added more laurels for the school's boxing stables when he scored a T.K.O. over Richard Cotham of Co. 316.

Overseas Vets Taught by Pros

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handle up until that point.

In recent months, Dorrell has had four fights in Hollywood where he won the hearts of the fight crowd with his courage and willingness to mix it up. Two of his bouts in the cinema capital he lost, one to Nick Moran and the other to Bobby Yaeger.

The other two Hollywood fights Dorrell won. He flattened Rene de Leon in six and Kid Filipino in eight at the Hollywood American Legion Stadium.

In his professional career Dorrell has won thirty-six bouts and has drawn six times in a total of 49 bouts.

In the News of the Month

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Costner's fighting record includes knockouts over Sheik Rangel, Lou Woods, Tommy James, Jimmy Hunt, Phil Williams, Danny Freeman, Bob Simmons, Bob Fowler, Arnold Deer, Dave Bruce, Martin Doyle, Sammy Thompson, Sammy Mack, Clint Brooks, Vern Sterner, Jimmy Saylor and Mike Sopko. His record shows that he fought 46 bouts, has 32 wins by knockouts, 10 victories by decisions and he fought one draw and lost three matches.

Costner is under the management of the veteran and popular Eddy Johnson of Cincinnati, who brought to the top such other good fighters as Vince Hambright, Jack Stanley, Herschel Joiner and many others.

Costner is married and the father of a two-year-old boy. Out of his ring earnings, Sugar has bought his parents a nice home in Cincinnati, O. He was born July 22, 1923, in Cincinnati and his best fighting weight is 147 pounds. He is a veteran of the U. S. Army, having served 16 months under Uncle Sam.

BERRY WRIGHT

CLEVELAND has a young welterweight, Berry Wright, who, despite the fact that he was recently stopped by Charley Parham in Milwaukee in six rounds, bears promise. In eight contests this year he lost only one, that to Parham, and a month later he fought a draw of eight rounds with Ceferino Bronco in Providence.

Berry defeated Smuggy Hersey, Stanley Miller and Jimmy Taylor, and knocked out Lee Sheppard and Dave Viau. Wright scales between 147 and 151 pounds.

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AARON TIGER WADE

CHARLEY COOK, who in past years was the manager of many topnotch fighters, has another under his wing in Aaron Tiger Wade, a tough looking hombre from California. The Tiger, a middleweight with a sock, made a hit in Madison Square Garden in his Eastern debut when he knocked out Mario Ochoa in two rounds, but the following week he lost a ten-rounder to Charley Burley in Pittsburgh. Losing to Burley, however, doesn't take much away from the Tiger as Charley is one of the outstanding middleweights in the country.

Aaron has beaten, among others, such stars as Archie Moore, Cocoa Kid and Billy Smith. He quit the ring for a time last year, but since resuming the fistic game, he has done good work. Aaron is 28 years old.

Nat Fleischer Says:

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before every fistic star who donned the uniform will be back at the old stand in the roped square.

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THE New York debut of Nick Moran, aggressive Mexican lightweight, was a success despite his defeat at the hands of Ike Williams, in Madison Square Garden. The fans voted their approval of the lad who is piloted by Gus Wilson, former handler of Georges Carpentier. He showed fighting courage, and ability to assimilate punishment, aggressiveness and a fighting spirit, but he lacks one essential, a hard punch. His blows are weak. Otherwise he has everything that goes with good fighting assets. It was his failure to show power behind his punches that enabled Williams, the National Boxing Association lightweight champion to carry off the honors. One of the judges and the referee, Eddie Josephs, each split the ten rounds, but gave it to Williams on points and the third judge had Nick out in front in rounds, 6 to 4. My score card showed Nick behind by seven to three and by nine points to five. Moran showed good footwork and a desire to mix it, two points in his favor. He should draw well in future New York contests. In the final round, one second before the bell sounded, Nick was dropped with a beauty as he tried to exchange blows with the champ.

The consensus of New York's critical fans was that Nick will do. He makes a good addition to a fine crop of young lightweights who will furnish the fireworks in the post-war program.

IN THE NEW JERSEY CORNER
By HARRY MANSBACH

CHARLIE FUSARI, Irvington welterweight, didn't lose a round in pounding out an eight-round decision over Jackie Leamus of New York City at Meadowbrook Bowl. It was a repeat triumph for Fusari, who weighed 141, to 135 for Leamus. Walter Cunningham, 159, Newark, won a six-round decision over Billy Walker, 160, Portland, Ore., while Jim Davis, 181, Newark, and Jim Crawford, 204, Cliffside Park, drew in another six. In four, Harold Borsky, 152, Brooklyn, and Joe Gregory, 148, Newark, fought to a draw.

Tony Riccio, 149, Bayonne, outpointed Willis Scott, 154, New York City, in a feature ten-round bout at Twin City Bowl, Elizabeth. Referee Joey Harrison gave Riccio six rounds, Scott, the fifth and sixth, and called the fourth and ninth even.

Six-round results: Harry Preston, 142, New York City, decisioned Joe Rizzo, 144, Montreal; John Taylor, 160, New York City, outpointed Randy Drew, 168, Newark, and Roy Taylor, 172, New York City, scored a technical knockout over Danny Aldridge, 170, Newark, in the third round. Joe Gregory, 142, Newark, won a T.K.O. over Billy Johnson, 136, Elizabeth, in a scheduled four-rounder.

Joe Curcio, 149, Newark, won on a technical knockout over Separino Bronco, 146, Fall River, at the Long Branch Arena when Referee Paul Cavalier refused to allow the New England fighter to come out for the third round. Curcio battered Bronco to the canvas for nine-counts twice and opened a severe cut over his opponent's right eye. Two other bouts ended in technical knockouts between rounds. Tony Ryle, 144, of Paterson, won over Nick Restaino, 144, Newark. Restaino was unable to answer the bell for the fourth round. Tony Ferrar, 126, New York City, won a T.K.O. over Joey Nicaveda, 120, Bronx. Frankie Daniels, 145, Valley Stream, outpointed Prudy Pacheco, 144, New York City.

This writer has compiled a complete listing of all New Jersey promoters, matchmakers, fight clubs and wrestling clubs and their addresses and locations. Send 25c in coin or stamps and self-addressed envelope for list to Harry Mansbach, 37 Arlington St., Newark 2, N. J. Boxers who are willing to show around New Jersey and metropolitan New York and have no managerial ties, can contact same address. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope and previous record of bouts, list of opponents, wins, losses, etc., also physical capabilities.

Saved by the bell from a second-round knockout, Billy Arnold, Philadelphia, came back to knock out George (Red) Doty, Hartford, Conn., in the third round of their scheduled ten-rounder at the Camden Ball Park. Doty went down from a savage left hook that Arnold threw to the pit of Red's stomach. Doty rolled over three times while being counted out. He managed to get to his feet just after the count was completed by the referee.

Freddie Archer, 144, Newark, won a 6-3-1 decision from Referee Paul Cavalier over Johnnie Williams, 140, Montgomery, Ala., in the feature ten-round fight in Meadowbrook Bowl, Newark, repeating a previous victory. Archer's best frame was the seventh.

Williams won the first, fifth and sixth rounds, and Archer was awarded the rest. In a four-rounder, Nat Hutchins, 147, Elizabeth, battled to a draw with Tony Tydell, 148, Paterson. Monty Klein, 141, New York City, stopped Leroy Saunders, 139, New York City, in the second round of a scheduled six. Kid Chicken, 159, New York City, outpointed Ruby Robert, 156, New York City, in another six. Roger Muriel, 149, Elizabeth, kayoed Tony Pallante, 150, Newark, in the third round of a four.

BUFFALO, N. Y.
By HUGH SHANNON

FRANKIE WILLS, hard-punching Washington welterweight, scored a sensational and thorough victory over Bobby Claus of Buffalo at Memorial Auditorium when he knocked out Claus in just 64 seconds of the first round. Claus never had a chance. The Washington fighter swarmed all over Bobby and quickly knocked him to the mat for the ten-count. The bout was dramatic and short though it was, the fans were well satisfied that they got their money's worth.

The Hudson club's preliminaries were exciting. The much-touted Gus Schlee, 200-pound local boy, was stopped by Al Patterson, a huge Negro from Pittsburgh. Patterson knocked out Schlee in the third round. Patterson was down for a couple of long counts himself and the scrap was replete with action.

Irish Mickey Doyle, Sudbury, Ont., won the decision over Jackie Gaines, 150, Cleveland, six rounds; Allen Faulkner, Buffalo, 151, knocked out Vic Belanger, 152, Utica, fifth round. In the four-round opener, Stanley Stinson, Hamilton, Ont., 129, stopped Rafael Rosales, 122½, Mexico, third round.

"It was a long wait, but well worth it," said Willie Pep (left), world featherweight champion, as he received a handsome sterling silver three panel belt from Nat Fleischer, Editor of THE RING, *at the dinner in Bridgeport given in honor of Billy Prince, Connecticut's Boxing Commissioner. Willie had been waiting three years to receive the award but it wasn't until after the war ended that the silver could be obtained with which to make the belt. It was the 122nd award to world champions and other boxers made by* THE RING *Editor since 1922. Sammy Angott was the last previous recipient, in 1941. Pep, who defeated Chalky Wright on November 20, 1942, to clinch the international honors, is the only athlete who served both in the Navy and the Army in the second world war. He is now stationed at Framingham, Mass.*

Bert Finch plans a new gymnasium and boxing school that should result in developing what Buffalo needs—new faces. Finch, who is one of the smartest boxing men in the game, expects to have a number of his old champions act as teachers. Charlie Pinto, Lou Scozza, Herman Smith and other stars of yesteryear are expected to join Finch in his new proposition. Finch can be addressed at 863 Ellicott Street, Buffalo, N. Y. He would like to hear from boxers of ability who are about to leave the Army, Navy and Marine Corps.

Joe Netro is helping Billy Mitchie in arranging programs for the Fairview Club. Netro is also managing a number of up-and-coming boxers, including the good Canadian boy, Cliff Beckett.

The Fairview Club will show Ray (Sugar) Robinson and Jimmy Mandell at an early date.

Jack Singer, the hustling promoter of the Hudson A. C., will probably land a Johnny Green-Frankie Wills match. Singer's address is Washington and North Division Streets, Buffalo, N. Y.

RESIN DUST—Chip Davis, one of our referees, tells me he has quit the game . . . . Chip is personally a fine lad and was a good arbiter . . . . He doesn't like refereeing . . . . Jack Herman and Jerry Monahan had a great year promoting wrestling for the Great Lakes Club and they declare 1945-46 will be better still. They will run grapple shows every Friday night.

CAROLINA GLOVE GAB
By BILL McILWAIN

CHARLOTTE, N. C.—Boxing rode from one extreme to the other in Charlotte within the past month. The sport hit a rock-bottom level with the foul-scented Johnny Denson-Natie Brown bout and then surged back on the wings of good scraps by Sparky Reynolds and Babe Saunders and Cliff Smith and Ralph Turpin. In a mysterious fight that left a jackpot crowd wondering and the Charlotte Boxing Commission extremely displeased, 35-year-old Natie Brown knocked out Johnny Denson of Indianapolis in 40 seconds of the seventh heat of their slated ten-rounder.

Referee Ralph Hood halted the bout in the third round set to rule it no contest, but insistent wails by the large crowd influenced the boxing commission to permit the two complacent glovers to resume their woeful warring. Hood had cautioned both fighters in the second round that he would stop the fight if they did not get a bit more serious about their battling.

Denson, who was favored on the strength of his T.K.O. over Lee Croft previously, simply refused to ever exert himself. He was content to back-pedal constantly and throw a few feeble jabs at the veteran Brown. Brown, obviously in not such good condition, did little better. Brown, who has been wrestling since being stationed at Shaw Field, S. C., displayed some mat tactics in the fight. Once after flooring Denson with a weak barrage, he refused to go to his corner and danced about in much the manner that his wrestling comrades often do.

The entire fight was a smeller, and as a result, the commission withheld a portion of both Brown's and Denson's purses.

Lee Croft, in his first fight since losing to Denson, registered a six-round T.K.O. over Bob Murray of Shaw Field. The strong young paratrooper was in much better shape than Murray and used this edge to good advantage. After four rounds of even battling, Croft finally smashed Murray to the boards in the fifth with a vicious attack. In the sixth Croft duplicated the feat and Referee Hood terminated the affair.

Babe Saunders, lanky 152-pounder from Wilmington, N. C., hammered out a close decision over Sparky Reynolds of Indianapolis in a teeming ten-round scrap. Reynolds injured his right hand early in the fight and was handicapped a great deal by not being able to fire away with his heavy artillery. Saunders, however, proved too much the superior boxer, stabbing the free-swinging Reynolds with numerous left jabs.

The battle was hard-fought all the way and won the favor of a small crowd, which undoubtedly resulted from the Denson-Brown flop. Saunders weighed 152, Reynolds 147.

Cliff Smith, 1943 Golden Gloves national flyweight champ, T.K.O.'ed Ralph Turpin in 1:40 of the third round in the first fight of his comeback. Smitty, who had been out of the ring for nearly a year permitting jaw and hand injuries to heal, displayed power at his new featherweight notch.

Promoters and matchmakers desiring topflight Southern talent, or boxers and managers interested in bookings in the Carolinas, may contact this writer as follows: Bill McIlwain, Charlotte *Observer*, Charlotte, N. C.

Graziano Is the Fighter of Month

By THE RING EDITOR

WITH the indoor season in full swing, many new faces are being presented to the fight public throughout the country, the majority being recently discharged soldiers, some of whom have been out of ring action for from two to four years, and others, boxers who have taken up the sport during the war. The active divisions are the lower ones, from middleweight to feather.

The heavyweight section is the least active, with the light-heavy, bantam and flyweight following. New blood is needed badly in these divisions. There are only three heavyweights of note who have been doing any fighting—Mauriello, Bivins and Woodcock. The class is at its poorest right now and won't be back in stride again until Louis and Conn are discharged.

Arturo Godoy, who was in the first ten among the heavies some time ago, rejoined the class. Mauriello continues to head the section, with Bivins and Woodcock following.

In the light-heavyweight class, Fitzie Fitzpatrick has jumped into the leading post over Archie Moore, who lost to Jimmy Bivins in an overweight match and who should have been awarded that fight on a foul. However, as Fitzie won his battle, he takes precedence over Archie. Fitzie has ten one-round kayoes to his credit. Georgie Kochan, an active ringman, is third, and Phil Muscato of Buffalo has gained fifth position.

Jake LaMotta continues to top the middleweights, although hard pressed by Holman Williams, who is followed by Charley Burley. Rocky Graziano and Harold Green, who have been fighting well above the welter class limit, have been removed from the latter division and have been placed in the middleweight section, though each insists he can make the welter limit easily. The point is that when a fighter keeps battling above a class limit, he automatically tosses himself into that higher section. They occupy seventh and tenth places, respectively, with Wildcat Henry, whose comeback has been sensational, and Cocoa Kid, holding down eighth and ninth positions, respectively.

Ray Robinson, although inactive because of illness, tops the welters with Tippy Larkin and Freddie Archer, another Jerseyite, following in the order named. Tony Janiro and Johnny Greco have advanced through the elimination of Graziano and Green from their class, and Ruben Shank, George Costner and Nick Moran have rejoined the group.

Dave Castilloux, Canadian light and welter king, has advanced among the lightweights to fifth place and Allie Stolz has rejoined the division, Allie being in eighth place.

Phil Terranova and Carlos Chavez have taken a leap forward in the feather division, Phil being third and Chavez, fourth. Kid Zefine regained a position in the high ratings section and Gus Foran joined the elite.

Tony Olivera and the man whom he has fought more than half a dozen times head the bantam challengers.

Heavyweights fared as follows: Jimmy Bivins knocked out Archie Moore, 6. Jock Porter defeated Jack London, 10. Freddie Schott knocked out Freddie Fiducia, 9. Johnny Allen outpointed Dee Amos, 10. Lee Q. Murray KO'ed Henry Taylor, 2; Billy Mitchy beat Tommy Woodward, 8.

Natie Brown kayoed Johnny Denson, 7. Abel Cestac knocked out Big Boy Baker, 10; beat Big Ben Moroz, 8.

Harold Blackshear knocked out Tiger Sheppard, 3. Blackshear lost to Tiger Jack Fox, 10. Fox lost to Bobby Zander, 12. Ragon Kinney outpointed Nolan Sharp, 10. Johnny Haynes knocked out Al Hart, 4. Louis Long kayoed Fernando Menichelli, 8.

Bruce Woodcock knocked out Martin Thornton, 3. Bill Harris outpointed Dave Bylevelde, 10. Verne Esco outpointed Jimmy Carollo, 8. Nathan Mann knocked out Mike Alfano, 3.

Tami Mauriello knocked out Johnny White, 4. Curtis Sheppard outpointed Nate Bolden, 10. Colion Chaney outpointed Clayton Worlds, 10. Worlds outpointed Hubert Hood, 10. Hood drew with Odell Riley, 10.

Harold Thomas knocked out Doug Jordan, 1. Roughhouse Finney knocked out Nat Hines, 1; knocked out Jimmy Long, 2. Finney knocked out by George Williams, 2. Paul Jackson outpointed Wee Willie Williams, 6; outpointed Doug Ellison, 6. Jack Burke outpointed Jack Hannan Porter, 10.

Jimmy White knocked out Jerry Miles, 6. Charley Lomski outpointed Jimmy Crawford, 6. Crawford drew with Jimmy Davis, 6. Johnny Melko outpointed Waddell Washington, 6. Al Patterson knocked out Gus Schlee, 3. Billy Sullivan knocked out Garfield Foster, 1.

Al Timmons drew with Battling Jones, 4; lost to Pete Lakovich, 6. Lee Croft K.O.'ed Bob Murray, 6. Jack Hannan Porter knocked out Steve Ludman, 5. Tommy Bishop knocked out Ardis Mack, 3. Doug Ellison knocked out Matt Jiminez, 1.

Jimmy Bell knocked out Dan Biggers, 2; outpointed Jimmy Gardner, 8. Jimmy Brown outpointed Kenny Johnson, 8. Moise Howard knocked out Horace Thompson, 6. Howard knocked out Fast Black, 5.

Art McAlpine knocked out James Polk, 1. Polk lost to Bob Miller, 6. McAlpine outpointed Jackie Saunders, 8. Casey O'Hara knocked out Bentley Jones, 1; outpointed Carlton Perry, 8. Bud Gregory knocked out Eddie McGhee, 2. Carrington McNutt knocked out Stanley Myka, 3.

Marty Clark knocked out Johnny Napolitano, 3. Dula Kovach outpointed Bob Miller, 6. Henry Jackson knocked out Freddie Bailey, 2. Tiger Henning outpointed Jimmy Young, 4; outpointed Jimmy Young, 4. Larry Lovett outscored Dan Merritt, 8. Carlton Perry outpointed Steve Ludman, 4. Jake Kimsey outpointed Earl Effinger, 4.

Jimmy White knocked out Jimmy Long, 4.

Arturo Godoy knocked out Dan Merritt, 2. Al Mitchell knocked out Eddie McGhee, 1. Johnny Melko outpointed Morris Belanger, 6.

The light-heavyweight division bouts were: Clent Conway knocked out Austin Johnson, 4. Fitzie Fitzpatrick knocked out Gaston Miller, 1. Miller and John Donnelly drew, 2. Ross Strickland lost to Jimmy Gardner, 10. Strickland drew with Mad Anthony Jones, 10.

Phil Muscato outpointed Coolidge Miller, 10. George Kochan knocked out Joe Reddick, 4. Joe Kahut knocked Moose Kennedy, 5; knocked out Al Jordan, 5. Jim Gray outpointed Jack McNamee, 12.

Billy Pappas outpointed Tommy Woodward, 6; outpointed Ken Johnson, 10. Charlie Polk knocked out Luther Brent, 7. Billy Smith knocked out Kenny Watkins, 2. Tiger Watson Jones knocked out Lou Brooks, 4; drew with Johnny Donnelly, 10.

Jimmy Holden outpointed Vic Chambers, 6. Johnny Langley knocked out Sandy Mack, 3. Joe Smith outpointed Shed Bell, 4. Chuck Ross outpointed Eddie Mahoney, 6.

Roy Taylor knocked out Danny Aldrich, 3; knocked out Oscar Goode, 3; knocked out Pug Wilson, 4. Danny Devlin outpointed Al Johnson,

"THE RING'S" RATINGS FOR THE MONTH

Ending September 12, 1945

Fighters who hitherto have been rated but are now in the armed forces and have become inactive, have been removed until such time as they resume boxing. When those removed are again active, they will receive the recognition previously granted to them. Only active fighters, service men and civilians, will be rated monthly. In our ratings the position of champions now in the service is frozen for the duration. Inactive service men are kept in the ratings for four months before being removed until they resume boxing.

Heavyweights (Over 175 pounds)	Light-Heavyweights (Not exceeding 175 pounds)	Middleweights (Not exceeding 160 pounds)	Welterweights (Not exceeding 147 pounds)
World's Champion *Joe Louis U. S. Army	World's Champion *Gus Lesnevich U. S. Coast Guard	World's Champion *Tony Zale U. S. Navy	World's Champion Freddie Cochrane
1—Tami Mauriello	Fitzie Fitzpatrick	Jake LaMotta	Ray Robinson
2—Jimmy Bivins	Archie Moore	Holman Williams	Tippy Larkin
3—Bruce Woodcock	Georgie Kochan	Charley Burley	Freddie Archer
4—Elmer Ray	Freddie Mills	Bert Lytell	Ernie Roderick
5—Lee Oma	Phil Muscato	Jock McAvoy	Jimmy Doyle
6—Lee Q. Murray	Lloyd Marshall	Bee Bee Washington	Tony Janiro
7—Freddie Schott	Billy Grant	Rocky Graziano	Johnny Greco
8—Arturo Godoy	Walter Woods	Wildcat Henry	Ruben Shank
9—Joe Baksi	Billy Smith	Cocoa Kid	George Costner
10—Jersey Joe Walcott	Jack Johnson	Harold Green	Nick Moran

Lightweights (Not exceeding 135 pounds)	Featherweights (Not exceeding 126 pounds)	Bantamweights (Not exceeding 118 pounds)	Flyweights (Not exceeding 112 pounds)
World's Champion International Title Vacant	World's Champion *Willie Pep U. S. Army	World's Champion Manuel Ortiz	World's Champion Jackie Paterson
1—Bob Montgomery (Recognized by N.Y.)	Sal Bartolo (N.B.A. Champion)	Tony Olivera	Joe Curran
2—Willie Joyce (N.B.A. Champion)	Chalky Wright	Luis Castillo	Seaman Terry Allen
3—Ike Williams	Phil Terranova	Benny Goldberg	Bunty Doran
4—Bobby Ruffin	Carlos Chavez	Simon Vergara	Alec Murphy
5—Dave Castilloux	Enrique Bolanos	Sammy Reynolds	Hugh Cameron
6—Ronnie James	Nel Tarleton	Norman Lewis	Georgie Parkes
7—Chester Rico	Jackie Graves	Ronnie Clayton	Dado Marino
8—Allie Stolz	Kid Zefine	Mickey Colbert	Billy Clinton
9—Juste Fontaine	Gus Foran	Tim Mahoney	Tommy Burney
10—Leroy Willis	Danny Webb	Mickey Jones	Johnny Summers

* Indicates title frozen for duration of the war— in war service.

8. John Henry Eskew knocked out Johnny Harwood, 1; knocked out Sam Shumway, 2. Eskew knocked out Waddell Washington, 1. Alex Rebark kayoed Washington, 6.

Bob Satterfield knocked out Vecie Van, 1; knocked out Curley Benton, 6. Jerry Brown drew with Johnny Reardon, 4; drew with Henry Christian, 4; knocked out Johnny Roland, 4. Tony Bosnich knocked out Calvin Johnson, 1.

Ansel Green knocked out Kay Mitchell, 1; knocked out by Eddie Turner, 2. Turner knocked out Joe Boulier, 4. Major Kagle drew with Percy Butler, 4. Leroy Bolden knocked out Tommy Grohs, 4. Nate Gibson knocked out Billy Gibson, 1; knocked out Bilbo Smith, 3; drew with Rudy Garcia, 4; lost to Henry Rich, 4.

Henry Rich knocked out Al Slocum, 2; knocked out by Dolph Quijano, 2. Quijano outpointed John L. Sullivan, 4; outpointed Al Rimmons, 4. Jack Butler knocked out Bill Campbell, 3. Joe O'Connell knocked out Leroy Fleming, 3; knocked out Jackie Williams, 3. Leo Dundee knocked out Joe Robinson, 2.

Silent Escobar knocked out Jerry Brown, 1. Harold Thomas knocked out Doug Jordan, 1. Thomas knocked out by Tony Sartino, 2. Jack Hill knocked out Sailor Jack Thompson, 3. Allen Arnett knocked out Al Moore, 2.

Jimmy Evans knocked out Cliff Johnson, 1. Lonny Boyd drew with Dick Lewis, 6. Big Ben Russ outpointed Billy Evans, 6. Tommy Campanella knocked out Larry Schott, 1. Al Nobles drew with Carlo Morino, 4. Benny Davis knocked out Frank Tabor, 2. Duncan Curry outpointed Willie Morris, 4. Gus Schippers outpointed Dave White, 4. Francis Ogg knocked out Lane Hale, 5.

Phil Muscato knocked out Prentiss Hall, 8. Billy Johnson outpointed Baudelio Valencia, 6. Al Spalding outpointed Doc Gladden, 4. Alex Rebark knocked out Morris Belanger, 3.

The leading middleweight contests were: Rocky Graziano knocked out Freddie Cochrane, 10. Jock McAvoy outpointed Tommy Davies, 8. Kid Tunero outpointed Zurdo delHiguamo, 10. Bee Bee Washington outpointed Jerry Fiorello, 10. Fiorello knocked out Baudelio Valencia, 3. Reedy Evans knocked out Steve Mamakos, 6; outpointed Phil Muscato, 10.

Vic Dellicurti outpointed Coley Welch, 10. Izzy Jannazzo outpointed Charley Parham, 10. Saint Paul knocked out Al Evans, 5; outpointed Indian Gomez, 10 and kayoed Jay Paganelli, 6. Paganelli beat Charley McPherson in 8. Evans knocked out by Tee Hubert, 6.

Walter (Speedy) Duval outpointed Johnny Carter, 10. Solly Zalter outpointed Larney Moore, 8; outpointed by Walter Cunningham, 6. Cunningham outpointed Billy Walker, 6. Bennie Droll drew with Art Brown, 8; outpointed Mike Sopko, 6.

Holman Williams and Bert Lytell drew, 10. Williams knocked out Jimmy Gee, 6; outpointed Bert Lytell, 12. Eddie Steele outpointed Buddy Rose, 10; outpointed Irish Eddie Dunne, 8. Frankie Wills knocked out Bobby Claus, 1. Charley Burley outpointed Aaron (Tiger) Wade, 10; knocked out Dave Clark, 1.

George Henry outpointed Cocoa Kid, 10; decisioned Cleveland Bailey, 10. Joe Bennett outpointed Bobby Berger, 10. Berger outpointed Joe Bennett, 10. Dave Sands knocked out Herb Broome, 3; knocked out Tommy Lamming, 2.

Jack Marr outpointed Norm Harvey, 12. Bob Peters outpointed Jimmy Dundee, 8; knocked out by Andy Hodgins, 12. Ran Jackson outpointed Kid Lester, 10. Lester outpointed Jack Bailey, 4. Reecy Davis knocked out Edgar Robinson, 2.

Joe Richards knocked out Tony DelGatto, 1. Johnny Finazzo outpointed Marvin Bryant, 8. Baby Sims outpointed Leon Kennedy, 6. Gene Johnson knocked out L'il Abner, 2; knocked out Art Crump, 3. Jim Tate knocked out Bobby Barrett, 3.

Sam Hughes outpointed Speedy Cannon, 4. Cannon outpointed Alonzo McDonald, 4. Len Johnson outpointed Jimmy Edwards, 4. Frankie Calzo outpointed Ray Acosta, 6. Calzo outpointed Gaston Miller, 6. Rudy Garcia drew with Nate Gibson, 4. Carmen Sipello outpointed Hugh Murphy, 6. Murphy lost to Sam Barodi, 6. Kenny James outpointed John Anderson, 6. Dal Conway outpointed George Elliott, 12.

Berlie Lanier knocked out Davey Feld, 5. Artie Levine stopped George (Sonny) Horne, 5. Vinnie Rossano outpointed Johnny Lawer, 8. Paulie Peters knocked out Cecil Hudson, 9. Vince Hawkins outpointed Cpl. Tommy Jones, 8. Bert Gilroy knocked out Lucien Courtois, 2. Bull Gilkes outpointed Al Carrington, 10.

Bud Scott knocked out Billy Rose, 5. Larry Lee outpointed Jackie Alexander, 6. Tony DelGatto outpointed Sam Barodi, 6. Barodi outpointed Hugh Murphy, 6; outpointed Andy Faison, 6; outpointed Joe Torrens, 4.

Mark Luckman outpointed Billy Evans, 4; outpointed Ruby Roberts, 6; outpointed Joe Blackwood, 6; outpointed Ruby Roberts, 6. Harold Williamson outpointed Georgie Armstrong, 6. Jimmy Simmons knocked out Leonard Hodgson, 2. Bob Hawkins outpointed Frankie Calzo, 4; outpointed Rudy Garcia, 4. Clarence Wilkinson outpointed Billy Walker, 6. Walker knocked out Johnny Rice, 1; knocked out Dave Carver, 1.

Johnny Taylor outpointed Randy Drew, 6; outpointed Lew Perez, 8; outpointed Dave Carver, 6. Perez outpointed Johnny Smith, 6. Johnny Checko knocked out Manny Cabral, 1; knocked out Tommy Simms, 2. Jake Stephens knocked out Bob Hawkins, 4. Jimmy Hill knocked out Mickey Belletiere, 3. Lou Ogletree knocked out Johnny Riley, 1. Billy Goodman knocked out Warl Lumpkin, 3.

Jimmy Boggs knocked out Henry Anderson, 3; knocked out Johnny Roland, 2; knocked out Tony Petro, 1; knocked out Vete Watson, 2. Gene (Ruby) Roberts knocked out Georgie Armstrong, 1. Joe Blackwood outpointed Harold Williamson, 6. Jackie Ahearn outpointed Johnny Mara, 4. Johnny Moran knocked out Al Pinel, 2; Moran knocked out Ray Harmon, 1, knocked out Fernand Demers, 5.

Mickey Doyle outpointed Jackie Gaines, 6; outpointed Tony Brush, 6. Arnold Deer knocked out Doug Jordan, 2. Buster Peaks outpointed Henry Anderson, 4. Dick Lee knocked out Mickey Gimmell, 2.

Junior Washington knocked out Jake Stephens, 4; knocked out Bud Singleton, 2; outpointed Frankie Calzo, 6. Singleton knocked out by Bob Hawkins, 3. Stephens knocked out Bob Hawkins, 4. Stephens knocked out by Len Johnson, 2.

Irish Bob Flannigan knocked out Frank Robinson, 3; knocked out Walter Golden, 1; drew with Carl Janke, 4; knocked out Cliff Garden, 2; knocked out Harry Sterling, 5; lost to Freddy Tibbs, 4. Paul Blanks outpointed George Tousant, 6.

Johnny Johnson knocked out Tommy Keene, 2; outpointed Arthur Hardy, 6. Bobby Dance knocked out Johnny Langley, 5. Louis Mosely outpointed Martin O'Malley, 4. Al Wright knocked out Al Pittman, 1.

Jim Naylor knocked out Jack Harrison, 4. George Small knocked out Joe Robinson, 2. Small lost to Ruby Roberts, 4. Chicken Thompson knocked out Johnny Finney, 1.

Random (Tip) Ramsey outpointed Gene Simmons, 8. Knoxville Johnny Taylor knocked out Lou Miller, 4. Taylor knocked out Clem Fitzpatrick, 5. Baudelio Valencia outpointed Johnny Smith, 6. Lee Black outpointed Mario Miscelli, 6; lost to Tony DeRosa, 6.

Speedy Williams outpointed Joe Smith, 4. Roy Cruz outpointed Stanley Jordan, 6; knocked out Mel Allen, 3. Glenn Northcutt knocked out Bill Fallon, 6; knocked out Danny Boy, 3; knocked out Spider Maccullam, 10. Danny Boy lost to L'il Abner, 6. Northcutt knocked out Eddie Wharton, 6.

Charley Padalino knocked out Tiger Gambini, 8; knocked out Joe Parsons, 1; knocked out Tommy Purcell, 2. Henry Gonzales outpointed Nick Campisi, 4. Speedy Cannon outpointed Alonzo McDonald, 4; lost to Sam Hughes, 4; drew with Al Bottano, 6; drew with Al Beltram, 6. Johnny Ditto knocked out Eddie Davis, 3; knocked out William Cummings, 3.

Tommy Merrill outpointed Vic Chambers, 6. Walker Coombs knocked out Tom McBride, 1. Leroy Scales drew with Willie Adell, 4; outpointed Rollan Taylor, 4; outpointed Arnold Deer, 6.

Jim Johnson knocked out Vic Belanger, 5. Jimmy Martin outpointed Al Jackson, 4. Mike McKessick knocked out Jimmy Cook, 1; outpointed Kid Bartley, 5. Eric (Buddy) Best knocked out Guy Brown, 3.

Johnny Gardea drew with Gilbert Whiteside, 4. Al Slocum outpointed Herman Bounds, 4. Tom (Kid) Lester outpointed Nate Gibson, 4. Leroy Wade outpointed Sam Hughes, 4.

Tony Elizondo outpointed Ben Johnson, 6; knocked out Bill Deering, 3. Johnson knocked out Deering, 3; knocked out Jesse Gomez, 4. Pvt. Charles Green knocked out Perry Oalmtag, 1. Wayne Armstrong knocked out Pelon Garcia, 5.

Sam Barodi knocked out Hugh Murphy, 5. Al Galgut knocked out Clem Fitzpatrick, 5. Bob Murphy outpointed Kid Lester, 6. Vince Gigante outpointed Teddy Brown, 6. Johnny Checko knocked out Eddie Almeida, 1.

Welterweight competition: Tony Janiro outpointed Johnny Greco, 8. Russell O'Brien drew with Cocoa Kid Gilkes, 8. Neva Esparza outpointed Henry Jordan, 10. Charley Fusari outpointed Jackie Leamus, 10; outpointed Jackie Leamus, 8. Tony Riccio outpointed Willis Scott, 10 and Joe Curcio, 8. Curcio kayoed Joe Agosta, 3; outpointed Jiggs Donahue, 10. Sidney Miller outpointed Bobby Maloney, 10. Maloney drew with Sparky Reynolds, 8.

Charley O'Kelly drew with Ross Romero, 10; knocked out Dick Lee, 6. Johnny Jones outpointed Henry Jordan, 10. Chester Slider outpointed Paul Lewis, 10. Freddie Archer outpointed Johnny Williams, 10; outpointed Jackie Larrimore, 10; outpointed Johnny Ricco, 10.

Smuggy Hursey outpointed Sammy Daniels, 10. Lou Williams outpointed Jimmy Dundee, 12. Kirk (Ted) Warwick knocked out Jack Terrance, 12. Will Jones drew with Torpedo Reed, 10; knocked out Benny Black, 7. Steve Riggio knocked out Abie Kauffman, 7.

Danny Kapilow knocked out Bobby Giles, 4. Babe Coullimber knocked out Jesus Vila, 1. Harry Davis outpointed Arthur Danahar, 8. Paul Altman outpointed Wild Bill McDowell, 10.

Chuck Hunter outpointed Bill Parsons, 8. Bill Ivory outpointed Mick Callaghan, 10. Ray Dunn outpointed Les Monte, 10. Joe Pyle knocked out Gene Russel, 7.

Artie Dorrell outpointed Baby Yucatan, 10; outpointed Pedro Ortega, 10. Billy Morris outpointed Henry Jordan, 10. Billy Arnold knocked out George "Red" Doty, 3. Ernie Forte outpointed Leon Kennedy, 10; knocked out by Freddie Cabral, 7. Benny Singleton drew with Frank Feener, 8.

Phil Palmer knocked out Vincent LaSalva, 3. Johnny Suarez outpointed Snooks Lacey, 10. Tito Despaigne knocked out Young Shadow, 4; knocked out Young Pancho, 7. Babe Saunders outpointed Sparky Reynolds, 10. Memo Llanes outpointed Regino Aguila, 10.

Joe Davis outpointed Jimmy McGriff, 6; lost to Bob Shannon, 6. William Cummings knocked out Buddy Suma, 1; knocked out Jimmy McGriff, 6. Morton Klein outpointed Jack Barker, 4; knocked out Leroy Saunders, 2; knocked out Charley Moore, 1; outpointed Jimmy Pierce, 6.

Pete Martin knocked out Jimmy Cogman, 5; knocked out Jackie Connors, 3; Joe LaMotta knocked out Lew Perez, 2; knocked out Jimmy Mills, 4. Tony Pallante knocked out Scotty Miller, 1; knocked out by Roger Muriel, 3. Nat Hutchins outpointed Muriel, 4.

Lou Valle outpointed Bobby Berger, 8; outpointed Irving Palefsky, 6. Palefsky outpointed Baudelio Valencia, 8. Frankie Daniels outpointed Prudy Pacheco, 6; outpointed Nick Restano, 6; outpointed Sid Haber, 4; outpointed Nick Restano, 4. Tony Ryles knocked out Nick Restano, 4; drew with Nat Hutchins, 4.

Ray Miller outpointed Chet Bossion, 6; outpointed Chet Bossion, 4; outpointed Billy Littlejohn, 6. Young Charley Zivic knocked out Eddie Stravosky, 3; outpointed Annunzio Ferrera, 6; knocked out Louis Baltimore, 2. Ferrera lost to Robert Fowler, 6. Henry Johnson knocked out Georgie Williams, 3; outpointed Mayhew Smith, 6.

Harry Preston outpointed Jimmy Rizzo, 6; outpointed Tony Ryles, 6. Al LaBarba outpointed Leon Kennedy, 6; knocked out Freddie Addeo, 4; outpointed Norville Gaddis, 8; outpointed Freddie Addeo, 6. Joe Gregory knocked out Billy Johnson, 4; drew with Harold Borsky, 4.

Milt Varos knocked out Joey Atkins, 3. Atkins outpointed James (Tiger) Kiggans, 4. Varos outpointed Dick Czerniak, 4; knocked out Lauton Mitchell, 4. Patsy Gall knocked out Bobby Green, 5; outpointed Charley Hilton, 6. Sammy Mammone outpointed Bobby Cummings, 8.

Art Robinson outpointed Jack Besselman, 6; outpointed Phil Schwartz, 6. Gene Boulden knocked out Eddie Adourian, 5; knocked out Roland Gomes, 1; lost to Joe Johnson, 6. Jackie Byrd drew with Rudy Campa, 6; lost to Chino Rodriquez, 6. Vic Marino knocked out Jimmy (Kid) Lewis, 4.

Doug Carter outpointed McCoy James, 6. Paul Lassiter knocked out Jimmy Fox, 2; knocked out Bob Robinson, 2; knocked out Teddy Guerrero, 2. Babe Querion outpointed Joie Souchie, 6; outpointed Joie Souchie, 6. Allen Faulkner knocked out Vic Belanger, 5.

Stanley Sims outpointed Russ Hawkins, 4. Julie Cross outpointed Tony Mancuso, 4; outpointed Charley Hilton, 4; outpointed Charley Hilton, 4; lost to Lem Taglia, 4. Taglia knocked out Steve Bilko, 3; outpointed Cross, 4. Ballesandro Carubia outpointed Pat Giordano, 6. Giordano outpointed Russ Hawkins, 6; outpointed Johnny Ryan, 8.

Alonzo McDonald outpointed Frank Rao, 4. Rao outpointed Bobby Wyman, 4. Morris Corona outpointed Ted Jamison, 4. Jamison outpointed Jackie Cooper, 4. Vic Costa outpointed Prudy Pacheco, 8.

Burl Charity outpointed Johnny Ricco, 6; lost to Al Seidman, 6; knocked out Harry Durden, 5. Ricco outpointed Mayon Padlo, 6; drew with Billy Furrone, 10. Willie Burrus outpointed Carl Janke, 4. Ken Murphy knocked out Laurie Barron, 3. Hugh Ellis knocked out Kid Riley (no rounds).

Sal Ritchie knocked out Antonio Carmona, 5. Fugio Escabedo knocked out Chick Musgrove, 5; knocked out Jimmy Johnston, 1. Musgrove knocked out Billy Williams, 3. Johnson outpointed Louis Moseley, 4. Hugh Stell knocked out Fugio Escabedo, 2; outpointed Mike Villanova, 4.

Bob Farris knocked out Joe Martinez, 3. Ruby Kessler knocked out Marcel Fournier, 1; outpointed Tommy Mills, 8. Dan Robinson outpointed Willie Edmunds, 6. Young Smoke knocked out Sam Kaelkini (no round).

Johnny Abbott outpointed Sammy Muscato, 4. Lincoln Stanley knocked out Do Do Woods, 5; lost to Jimmy Allen, 6. Earl Turner knocked out Billy Harrison, 6. Harrison outpointed by Johnny Taylor, 8. Mayhew Smith outpointed Benny Williams, 6.

Dick Wagner knocked out Ralph Garrison, 4. Garrison knocked out Joe Acheuleuta (no round). King Kong Walker outpointed Tony Argo, 5.

Prospects of the Month

Heavyweight—Louis Long, Chicago.
Light-heavyweight—Johnny Eskew, Brockton, Mass.
Middleweight—Glenn Northcutt, Spokane, Wash.
Welterweight—Al La Barba, New York.
Lightweight—Leo Melito, New York.
Featherweight—Gene Roberts, Danville, Ill.
Bantamweight—Jimmy Callura, Canada.
Flyweight—Luis Galvani, Cuba.

Johnny Askew knocked out Tommy Latch, 2. Dom Parent outpointed Johnny Mara, 6; knocked out by Willard Buckless, 3. Jimmy Scouten knocked out Frank Tilliteri, 2.

Norman Pinault knocked out Frank Perry, 1; knocked out by Tommy Colton, 2; knocked out Leo Renaud, 2. Rene DeLeon outpointed Alejandro Vega, 6. Armando Diaz outpointed Bartolo Medina, 4. Lou Dundee knocked out Freddie Taylor, 6. Bobby Zollo knocked out Leo Renaud, 1; knocked out Willard Buckless, 4.

George McKinney outpointed Fritz Moore, 4; outpointed Fritz Moore, 4. Herman Mills knocked out Paul Cook (no round). Ernie Guisti knocked out Bobbie Canova, 1. Dolly King drew with Lee Abrams, 4. Abrams drew with Freddie Balessano, 3. Kenny James outpointed Don Anderson, 6. Tony Falco knocked out Tommy Sloan, 3. Danny Martin knocked out Larney Moore, 6.

Oliver Cobbins knocked out Al Jackson, 3. Ray Nocchi outpointed Joie Souchie, 4. Bobby Holt outpointed Al Donofrio, 4. Clyde Gordon outpointed Johnny Mortarano, 4; knocked out Al Michaud, 5. Eddie Myers knocked out Tony Cimmino, 3.

Maurice Lavigne outpointed Johnny Mars, 6; knocked out Vin Sincawski, 2. Red Levesque outpointed Bernie Devine (no round). Speedy Baker knocked out Pete Petersen, 1. Jimmy Green knocked out Jack Callahan, 1.

Freddie Camuso knocked out Joe Gillis, 6. Eddie Moniz outpointed Bob Conover (no round). Lefty Chilo outpointed Jimmy Gresham, 8. Willie Russell knocked out Al Williams, 3.

Gene Gudgill knocked out Chuck Martin, 3. Larry Courtright outpointed Sammy Mack, 6. Mack knocked out Baby Bert Lytel, 6. Tommy Gargano knocked out Jack Moore, 1. Frankie Keith knocked out Johnny King, 1. Pete Boniface knocked out Al Singleton, 4.

Sparky Reynolds drew with Bobby Maloney, 8; lost to Bob Simmons, 12. Doug Jordan outpointed Kid Bartley, 6; knocked out by Tommy Charles, 2. James Kiggans won from Jimmy Martin, 5. Arthur Gregory drew with Rocky Schiavone, 4.

Buster Carroll knocked out Manny Gomez, 4. Ray Atkins outpointed Roy Evans, 4. Frank Falvey drew with Ceal Yancey, 8. Johnny Dupree outpointed Ferol Norris, 4. Joe Nuccio outpointed Harold Borsky, 4.

Eddie Allen knocked out Bud Taylor, 5. Lennox Lingle outpointed Sal Ritchie, 6.

Sheik Rangel outpointed Rocky Luciano, 10. Al Davis won on disqualification from Johnny Jones, 6. Charley Fusari knocked out Joey Manfro, 1. Benny Singleton outpointed Joe Celetti, 10. Kenny James outpointed Al Pinel, 6. Young Salvador knocked out Jimmy Fox, 5. Nat Hutchins knocked out Rocco Verdi, 2. Jesse Lang outpointed Ike Martin, 4. Frankie Keith outpointed Patsy Zoccano, 4. Dolly King knocked out Johnny Parvis, 1. Ernie Guisti knocked out Bobby English, 1. Luke Alafano won disqualification from Carl Janke, 1. Jerry Pittro knocked out Tony Sartino, 1.

Chester Slider knocked out Earl Turner, 1. Paul Altman outpointed Fritzie Zivic, 10. Pat Giordano outpointed Freddie Graham, 8. Steve Riggio outpointed Leon Kennedy, 8.

The lightweight class fared as follows: Ike Williams outpointed Charley Smith, 10; outpointed Gene Burton, 10; outpointed Nick Moran, 10. Sammy Angott drew with Gene Burton, 10. Willie Joyce outpointed Morris Reif, 10.

Joey Angelo outpointed George Larover, 10; outpointed Paulie Jackson, 10; outpointed Tommy Mills, 10. Gus Mell outpointed George (Dusty) Brown, 10. Brown outpointed Joey Pirrone, 10. Doll Rafferty outpointed Joey Peralta, 10; outpointed Joey Peralta, 10. Allie Stolz outpointed Wesley Mouzon, 10.

Chester Rico outpointed Jorge Morelia, 10; drew with Ralph Walton, 10. Dave Castilloux knocked out Ralph Walton. Walton kayoed Rene Cantero, 5.

Billy Graham knocked out Johnny Rinaldi, 4; knocked out Donnie Maes, 1. Steve Bellus outpointed Dick Cook, 10. Chuey Figueroa outpointed Maurice LaChance, 10. Paulie Jackson outpointed Johnny Cool, 10.

Oscar St. Pierre knocked out Jimmy Dundee, 1; outpointed by Joe Celletti, 10. Dorsey Lay outpointed Ruby Garcia, 8. Cleo Shans knocked out Raul Zenit Cruz, 8. Cruz knocked out by Eddie Hudson, 6. Hudson outpointed Chino Carvajal, 10. Torpedo Reed drew with Will Jones, 10. Walter (Cabey) Lewis knocked out Abel Lucero, 8.

Juste Fontaine knocked out Al Gomez, 7. Sel Hamilton outpointed Ron Heron, 12; outpointed Young Jocker, 12. Charlie Ashenden outpointed Leo Heaney, 12.

Al Medrano outpointed Torito Ramos, 10. Steve Kronis outpointed Johnny Cool, 10; knocked out Johnny Cool, 5. Mario Torres outpointed Angel Aviles, 10. Eddie Smith outpointed Ace Miller, 10. Joe Webster outpointed Sid Fletcher, 8.

Ken Howlett outpointed Ted Wainwright, 8. Ted Heiner outpointed Bernine Williams, 10. Tony Chavez knocked out Cal Robinson, 5. Danny Petro outpointed Mario Colon, 8. Bobby Yaeger outpointed Ray Salas, 10. Simon Lucas knocked out Baby Hunt (no round); knocked out Young Bancroft, 4.

Pat Foley knocked out Al Freda, 6. Nick Camarata outpointed Proctor Heinold, 10. Al Tunney outpointed Gunner Brathwaite, 10.

Oscar Wright knocked out Marcel Fournier, 4; knocked out Tommy Murray, 1. Frankie Curry kayoed Marcel Fournier, 2; knocked out Jesse James, 2.

Tony Vero knocked out Johnny Fry, 5; knocked out Jimmy Cogman, 2; knocked out Johnny Duke, 5. Fry knocked out Johnny (Red) Fees, 4. Vero outpointed Johnny King, 6. Eden Germaine outpointed Lenny Richards, 6.

Eddie Murphy knocked out Lou Prince, 3; knocked out Ellsworth Simley, 2. Murphy outpointed Joe Griffo, 4; knocked out Johnny Asay, 2. Lou Prince knocked out Frankie Conn, 6.

Patsy Zoccano outpointed Frankie Conn, 6. Conn knocked out Eddie Reardon, 4. Zoccano knocked out Freddie Torres, 6. Bernie Krashin outpointed Louis Venezia, 4. Alfonse Malacara won on foul from Sammy Garcia, 5.

Jerry Paul won on disqualification from Gary (Redcap) Cooper, 8. Tommy Murray knocked out Tony Ferry, 3. Tim Dalton outpointed Al Jackson, 4. Dick Czerniak outpointed Savo Bakas, 4.

Pat Brady knocked out Pat Bell, 2; knocked out Bobby Henry, 3; knocked out Jimmy Duval, 3; knocked out Jimmy Duval, 2. Sammy Jetson knocked out Johnny Ruth, 1.

Stanley Jordan outpointed Jerry Pittro, 6; lost to Roy Cruz, 6. Frank Gaudes knocked out Jimmy Hughes, 2. Hughes knocked out by Jimmy Woods, 1. Lee Schierer knocked out Joe Triollo, 5; lost to Earl Trader, 6.

Jeep Anderson knocked out Buddy Spencer, 1. Joe Marmo outpointed Jose Fernandez, 4; knocked out Johnny McCoy, 2; knocked out Nate Rosen, 4. Fernandez outpointed Joe Griffo, 6. Charley Wooster knocked out Willie Green, 1.

Al Wooster knocked out Eddie George, 1; outpointed Bob Pooler, 6. Joey Carkido outpointed Joe (Young) Griffo, 4. Shamus McCrea outpointed Cal Moran, 4; Moran outpointed Teddy Guerrero, 4; Guerrero knocked out Levi Board, 1; outpointed Board, 4; knocked out by Benny Black, 2. McCrea knocked out by Lucio Beltran, 3; outpointed Bill Hayman, 6. Beltran knocked out Collier Oswald, 1. Speedy Duval knocked out Joey Alvano, 1.

Lee Jones outpointed Don Leon, 6. Billy Terry knocked out Jimmy Pierce, 3. Joey Barnum outpointed Gene Spencer, 8. Al Jordan outpointed Arthur Price, 8.

Jackie Connelly outpointed Richie Myershiro, 6; outpointed Lou Prince, 6. Kid Burgess outpointed Nathaniel Huskey, 4. Huskey outpointed Bob Davis, 4. Benny Calla knocked out Bucky O'Connor, 3; knocked out Cal Robinson, 5.

Lenny Ceaser outpointed Jimmy Lewis, 8; outpointed Hubert Samuels, 10. Samuels outpointed Melvin Bartholomew, 8. Johnny King outpointed Wally Creedon, 8. Creedon knocked out King, 7. Jackie Hyde won on foul from Larry Foley, 3; lost to Billy Fitzgerald, 10; knocked out by Tom Phillips, 4.

Mick Fox outpointed Joe Celeste, 8. Celeste knocked out Mike Duggan, 6. Babe Lewin outpointed Mike Lopez, 4; knocked out by Lopez, 4; lost to Babe Huerta, 4. Roscoe Scally knocked out Stan Jamison, 3.

Bernard Paige knocked out Candy Cane, 3; knocked out Jimmy Lincoln, 3. George Baltieri knocked out Louis Venezia, 4; outpointed Danny Ventrano, 4. Jimmy Rizzo knocked out Joey Neil, 1; lost to Frankie Franconeri, 8.

Paul Berg outpointed Freddie Burke, 6; outpointed Sandy Thompson, 6. Young Arsenault outpointed Young Green, 4. Jimmy Esposito knocked out Billy Ellison, 3. Ellison knocked out Rocky Bandenelli, 2. Esposito knocked out Bill Cummings, 4. Al Victoria outpointed Frankie Franconeri, 6; outpointed Julian Malavez, 6. Carl Olsen outpointed Rudy Zadell, 4.

Jesse James outpointed Johnny Johnson, 6; lost to Freddie Polowitzer, 6; knocked out Benny Stewart, 2. Lee Garrett outpointed Billy Bates, 6. Bobby Lee outpointed Kid Grant, 4; outpointed Frankie Les, 4.

Billy Carlisle knocked out Del Williams, 2. Young Pennell knocked out Dick Eagen, 2. Leonard Riley outpointed Freddie Gilbo, 4. Joey Kushner knocked out Aster Rice, 2. Donald Allen outpointed Hal Harrington, 4.

Gilly Smithson knocked out Dane Pendleton, 3. Bob Riley outpointed Johnny McGuirk, 4. Ray Allison knocked out Benny Lopez, 1; knocked out Ernie Boudreau, 4.

Rickey Monteiro knocked out Tommy Moore, 2. Moore knocked out Tony Ferry, 3. Pat Smith knocked out Joe Triollo, 2. Rocco Lescio knocked out. Ellsworth Simley, 3; knocked out Jimmy Cogman, 3. Red Doyle outpointed Chuck Jones, 4.

Jimmy Anderson knocked out Leon Jones, 1. Clarence King knocked out Lester O'Brien, 6. O'Brien outpointed Earl Hamilton, 6. King outpointed Baby Sanchez, 10; outpointed Jack Larrimore, 10. Vin Geddes outpointed Young Arthur, 6. Cliff Jones outpointed Frank Oakley, 4.

Al McKewan knocked out Young Gugga, 2. Jackie Jobson won on foul from Snowy Black, 3. Victor Moreno outpointed Jimmy Mason, 6; knocked out Jimmy Lewis, 4. Alton Nicholson outpointed Bill Richardson, 4. Richardson drew with Kid Butler, 4. Luck Lima knocked out Ralph Verdejo, 1.

Bobby Root outpointed Freddie Balessano, 6. Dick Leone outpointed Gabriel Rios, 6. Brown Lee knocked out Harvey Mitchell, 2. Blaine Macomber knocked out Young Lessard, 1. Billy Heath outpointed Melvin Bartholomew, 8. Leon Johnson outpointed Jeff Holloway, 6. Kid Williams knocked out Ray Nulph, 2.

Jack Simon outpointed K. O. Dixon, 4. Dixon outpointed Jackie Gray, 4. Ralph Hughes outpointed Jack Evans, 4. Harold Meredith knocked out Young Corn Griffin, 2; knocked out Charlie Morrison, 2; knocked out Charlie Morrison, 5.

Bobby Armstrong outpointed Edgar Poe, 4. Jesse Flores outpointed Boykin Bourgeois, 4. Arnold Jetson knocked out Baby Armstrong, 9. Armstrong knocked out Robert Sommers, 2. Mario Averillo knocked out Charley Grant, 1. Frank Perry outpointed Walter Gomes, 6.

Jackie Moriarty knocked out Percy Idlett, 2. Fidel Rivera knocked out Andy Anderson, 3; drew with Lefty Chilo, 6. Tiger Wills outpointed Paul White, 6.

Dom Amoroso outpointed Al Mobley, 8. George Martin knocked out Johnny Wells, 1. Al Baltieri outpointed Arthur Gregory, 4. Pat Olson outpointed Pat Smith, 4.

Eddie Germaine knocked out Johnny Settles, 3. Frank Perry knocked out Chuck Jones, 3. Frank Valenzuela won from Babe Lewin, 4. Johnny Verdusco knocked out Tommy Jackson, 2. Paul Moran knocked out Red Roden, 3.

Frankie Moore outpointed Harry Hitlian, 8. Frank Conde outpointed Sonny Hill, 4. Billy Reed outpointed Romero Lopez, 4. Irish Callahan outpointed Johnny Downs, 6. Pedro Cirvello knocked out Freddie Gilbo, 3.

Leo Melito knocked out Patsy Zoccano, 4. Johnny McGrath outpointed Lee Lott, 6. Battling Nick outpointed Little Tony, 6; outpointed Jack Decker, 6. Hank Roque knocked out Buddy Carroll, 2. Young Dempsey outpointed Johnny Lynch, 4. Bob Timpson knocked out Eddie Bond, 6; knocked out Joe Parsons, 3.

Charley Bennett outpointed Roy Piedmont, 4. Francisco Dozal knocked out Tony Montes, 4. Frankie Cisneros drew with Antonio Serrano, 4; outpointed Serrano, 4. Abe Menchaca knocked out Dan Archer, 2. Frankie Reyes knocked out Vincent Mazac, 3. Chino Lopez drew with Oliver Hamm, 6.

Torito Ramos drew with Chuey Figueroa, 10. Tony Chavez outpointed Paul Reguejo, 10. Humberto Zavala outpointed Jackie Leamus, 10. Tony Pellone outpointed Billy Graham, 10. Santa Bucca knocked out Pedro Firpo (no round). Walter Lewis knocked out Dick Young, 3. Al Wooster knocked out Leo (Kayo) Bernier, 3. Tony Argo knocked out by George Christian (no round). Mike Martyk knocked out Don Luis Gonzales, 3. Frank Conti knocked out Ray Contreras, 2. Jose Fernandez knocked out Frankie Conn, 3. Leon Johnson knocked out Pat O'Toole, 4. Dennis Pat Brady drew with Nick Stato, 8. Luck Lima knocked out Winnie Winslow, 4. Al Baltieri knocked out Steve Bilko, 4. George Baltieri knocked out Charley Moore, 2. Al Victoria knocked out Jimmy Mason, 5. Joe Polowitzer outpointed Billy Nappier, 6. Roy Lewis outpointed Steve Bellus, 5.

Rocco Progano outpointed Joey Fontana, 8. Charley Smith outpointed Jimmy Rizzo, 10.

Here are the featherweight bouts: Kid Zefine outpointed Sammy Medina, 15. Chalky Wright outpointed Enrique Bolanos, 10. Phil Terranova knocked out Augie Lapara, 1; knocked out Jean Barriere, 4. Lapara outpointed Charley (Cabey) Lewis, 8.

Carlos Chavez knocked out Maurice (Lefty) LaChance, 6. Georgie Knox outpointed Nick Stato, 8. Jackie Floyd knocked out Harold Gibson, 1. Baby Gonzales knocked out Chuche Llanes, 4. Archie Wilmer outpointed Eddie Giosa, 10. Gus Foran outpointed Jackie Paterson, 8.

Buddy Hayes knocked out Chuck Jackson, 7. Joe Crisafi outpointed Bluey Paxton, 10. Lloyd Hudson outpointed Tony Ferry, 8. Pete Bolos outpointed Ossie Peguese, 10. Jimmy McAllister outpointed Eddie Giosa, 10.

Frankie Carto outpointed Mario Colon, 8; knocked out Johnny Land, 2; knocked out Freddie Torres, 3; won on foul from Jackie Floyd, 1. Lou Alter outpointed Jock Leslie, 8; outpointed Kudo Ortiz, 8. Ortiz outpointed by Francisco Colon Garcia, 4. Leroy Jackson knocked out Al Pennino, 7.

Tony Ferrar knocked out Tony Acevido, 3; outpointed Johnny Alford, 4; outpointed Patsy Zoccano, 6; knocked out Harvey Tischler, 3. Danny Carabella outpointed Red Hutchins, 8; outpointed Bascom Bradley, 8. Hutchins knocked out Carl McKinney, 5; outpointed Chino Alvarez, 10.

Mel Neary knocked out Billy Verdon, 5. Ted Christie-Herman Mills called no contest, but referee awarded Christie decision by default. Ted Bradley outpointed Ted Christie, 5. Christie outpointed A. C. Lee, 6; outpointed Steve Bellus, 10; knocked out by Frank Gaudes, 4.

Gene Roberts knocked out Ted Varnador, 1; knocked out Jim Phillips, 1; knocked out George Stone, 1. Bobby Polowitzer knocked out Oscar Williams, 6; knocked Francesco Harrid, 4; lost to Nick Stato, 8. Leo Mucucci outpointed Jerry Lavigne, 8; lost to Leo Methot, 8; outpointed Buddy Hayes, 10. Danny Ventrano knocked out Jackie White, 1; outpointed Lou Rivera, 4; outpointed Bernie Krashin, 4.

Joe (Sandy) Saddler knocked out Louis Langley, 1; knocked out Bobby English, 3; knocked out Earl Mintz, 1. English knocked out by Jack Armstrong, 3. Johnny Fulton knocked out Oscar Williams, 1. Eddie Mullen knocked out Stan Hill, 1; outpointed Pete Marso, 6. Joe Alvano outpointed Sammy Anderson, 4; knocked out by Jimmy Duval, 1. Alvano drew with Jimmy Pera, 4.

Little Giant outpointed Juan Zapata, 6; outpointed Reuben Sonorita, 10. Ham Wiloby knocked

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In Sunny California

By Harry Winkler

GOOD advice to promising young boxers would be, "Don't throw any rocks at elderly Negro men—one of them might be Chalky Wright." Seriously, Wright isn't as old as most of the scribes make him out to be (he is 33), but he will be that old before he needs to hang up the gloves judging by his performance in whipping Enrique Bolanos at the Los Angeles Olympic. Chalky's legs are still good and he takes a solid punch without showing the effects. He is clever enough to avoid damaging blows and possesses the punch to stop or slow up an opponent. And above all, he has the know-how to keep the pace to his liking.

The contest was a fast one, with Bolanos always circling and stabbing out with a long, fast left jab. Wright continually stalked the speedy Mexican and often slipped Enrique's left, to get in close and score with short, damaging punches. Chalky spilled Bolanos for a no-count with a right to the jaw in the second heat, the only legitimate knockdown of the fight.

The bout almost came to an unsatisfactory end in the third round when Bolanos went to the canvas registering pain from a terrific left landed below the belt. There was no doubt about the blow being in foul territory, most everyone saw it, but there was some doubt in the minds of many that it had caused as much pain as Bolanos exhibited. There was much confusion. While Bolanos writhed on his stomach, handlers gesticulated, a few ringsiders climbed upon the ring platform, and the Mexican's manager spouted off to referee and newspaper men, trying to convince all within hearing that his fighter should be awarded the bout.

After being given a five-minute rest, Bolanos resumed the fight, although he hobbled at the beginning and appeared weak for the remainder of the round. Enrique bicycled during the next two rounds, but put on an attack in the 6th that brought the crowd to their feet, shaking Chalky up with numerous solid rights to the jaw.

They mixed it up furiously in the 7th, both scoring with damaging blows. Bolanos seemed to have a shade the best of it. Wright started using a stiff left jab in the 8th that really sewed the fight up for him. This stabbing left played havoc with Enrique's prominent proboscis, causing it to bleed profusely the rest of the fight.

The decision was a split one. Referee Charley Randolph voted for Bolanos, a verdict that would have been bad. Both judges and sport scribes had Chalky ahead by at least 5 points. Wright weighed 131, Bolanos 133. A capacity crowd shoved $32,000 through the ticket-windows.

In the six-round semi-windup to the Wright-Bolanos go, Frankie Calzo, 162, won a close decision over Gaston Miller, 168, ex-soldier from Washington, D. C. On past performances, Miller figured to beat Calzo handily, but he looked terrible in this bout. He was unsteady, off balance, missed badly and had no defense whatever. The ex-Sarge should take a rest.

In a whirlwind affair, Rosendo Trejho, 125, copped the nod over Ciro Zurita, 129, in four. Zurita lost because he stopped to breathe—Trejho didn't.

Carlton Perry, 198, whipped Steve Ludman, 192, in four; Val Valentino, 116, stopped Benny Cousins, 114, in the second; Jimmy Pera, 128, was given a draw with Joey Alvano, 125, in four.

Ragon Kinney, 186, national Golden Gloves champion of 1943, pounded out a ten-round decision over Nolan Sharp, 188, Los Angeles Negro, at the San Diego Coliseum. Sharp forced the milling, but missed badly and was on the receiving end of a left jab throughout. Sharp was a threat only in the third round, when he nailed Kinney with a right on the jaw that almost sank the former amateur champ.

Kinney came back to win the next four heats, almost stopping the Negro in the sixth round. A right upper-cut put Nolan down for a one-count and the bell found him in bad shape. Kinney ran out of gas in the seventh and had to stall along in the eighth and ninth, so as to have something left for a spurt in the final heat to keep his margin a wide one.

In the prelims, Al Luna of San Diego, K.O.'ed Henry Zamora of Pasadena, in the second round; Shamus McCray stopped Young Salvador in two; Eddie Brant decisioned Frank Conti in six; Flash Gordon hooked Jimmy Fish in four.

In his first start in over three months, due to an operation for double hernia, Bobby Yeager, Los Angeles Negro, romped to an easy win over Ray Salas, San Francisco Mexican, in a ten-rounder at the Hollywood Stadium. Yeager was way off on his timing and low on stamina, yet, he was credited with every round. Had Bobby been at his best, he probably would have belted out Salas in a hurry, the Mexican was that much outclassed.

Salas proved to be a gamester and tried hard all the way, but his efforts fell so short that the bout was void of excitement. Yeager stabbed the 'Frisco fighter at will with a straight left and couldn't have done much more damage with that left paw had he carried a razor in it. Bobby had Salas bleeding in the very first round and kept the claret running until the final gong.

At the finish, the northern boxer was bleeding from so many cuts that he looked as though he had just had a shave at a barber college. Yeager scored one knockdown, dumping Ray with a right in the fifth, the bell ringing as Referee Bill Kershner said "four." Yeager weighed 138, Salas 137.

Chino Rodriguez, 149, Los Angeles, won handily over Jackie Byrd, 146, Blytheville, Ark., in the six-round semi. Rodriguez was credited with five of the six rounds over the Arkansas catcher.

Other results: Bernardo Ramirez, 129, T.K.O.'ed Henry Zamora, 130, in the third; Bob Hawkins, 157, outpointed Rudy Garcia, 158, in four; Martin Diaz, 127, and Pete Pacheco, 126, fought a draw; Pete Boniface, 147, stopped Al Singleton, 146, in the fourth.

If I were an importer of these young fighters from Mexico, I would keep them away from Eli Golindo of Los Angeles, at least until they had already made their U.S.A. debut, for, Tommy Cocon's little moustachioed Mexican has been strychnine to them. Ramon Ruiz, the most recent invader from below the Rio Grande, was the third of these imports to have their reps blasted by Golindo.

The contest, a ten-rounder at the Ocean Park Arena, was a fast action scrap all the way, but Eli had too much on the ball for the visitor and was credited with six of the rounds. Golindo weighed 121, Ruiz 120.

In other bouts; Gilbert Whiteside, 157, and Johnny Gardea, 162, drew (4); Jimmy Pera, 128, and Pete Pacheco, 126, also ended in a dead heat (4); Henry Rich, 163, decisioned Nate Gibson, 165 (4); Paul Lassiter, 140, K.O.'ed Teddy Guerrero, 142 (2); Frank Valenzuela, 185, nodded Babe Lewin, 134 (4).

Kenny Watkins proved that his win over Jack Chase was no fluke by repeating the stunt in a rematch at the Los Angeles Olympic. This second meeting followed the same pattern as their other clash, being a fast action affair between two left-jab artists, with one of them proving too fast for the other, which caused the slower one to resort to slugging in an effort to win by kayo. There was but one difference in this second go—it was a 12-rounder, their first was a ten.

Chase connected with a hard right late in the eighth round which had Watkins really hurt, but the gong rang before Jack could land another damaging punch on his young foe. Chase came out in the next round firing both fists and buckled Kenny's knees with another right on the jaw, but Watkins back-pedaled out of range until his head cleared, and that was the last chance that Chase had to play leading man on this night.

Becoming slower on foot and with left eye almost closed, the Negro veteran was an easier target to hit in the late rounds, so, Watkins mixed in some solid rights that shook the Coloradoan to his toes. Chase tried for a knock-out up to the last gong, but he had become older even in these past thirty minutes and his youthful foe was now not only faster, but also the stronger of the two, and bested Jack even at swapping punches. Watkins weighed 160, Chase 166.

Watkins waged a dandy fight and this writer has long praised this young Negro's talents, but it was very noticeable in this second meeting that Chase has slipped a great deal in recent months.

Morris Corona, 149, a former national Golden Gloves champion, punched out a win over Ted Jamison, 147, Pasadena Negro, in the six-round semi. Corona gave Jamison a severe socking, having Ted on the deck in the second, third and sixth rounds. However, based on respective abilities—Corona should stop such opponents in a couple of rounds on any night.

In the four-rounders, Harry Wills, 177, decisioned Allen Arnett, 173; Junior Washington, 160, stopped Jake Stephens, 157, in the fourth; Ponce Jurado, 116, nodded Mexican Bud Taylor, 120; Leon Marcus, 126, bested DeWitt Oliver, 128.

Torito Ramos, 141, San Diego, punched out a ten-round decision over Roy Cadle, a British Negro lightweight from Honduras, at the San Diego Coliseum. Cadle won the early rounds, and shook the Mexican up plenty in the second and third heats, but weakened after being outslugged in the fourth. The action slowed up in the last half of the go, as did Cadle, who garnered but one of the last five rounds.

Eddie Jackson, 203, Los Angeles Negro, pounded out a one-sided decision over Charlie Johnson, 218, in another ten-rounder. Jackson won every round with something to spare, but could not deck his tough opponent.

Bernardo Ramirez won from Al Luna in a torrid six-rounder; J. D. Spencer won by T.K.O. over Jimmy Mills in the opening round, due to a cut eye; Jimmy Fox put Gene Moore down four times and out in the second.

With the time drawing near when there will be an ample supply of boxers, the state Commissions should do something about all this foul fighting we have been having in recent years. The newly-appointed commissioner, Dave Stevenson, is a champion for clean boxing, so, I look for him to do something about the situation here in California, where I believe the rules are violated more than in any other state in the Union.

The severe cuts suffered by boxers these days are most always caused by butting. Much smaller gloves were used in the early years of the century, and one would wrap any amount of tape on his hands, yet, the cuts were not as deep as they are today. And too, this in spite of the fact that referees rarely stopped a bout in those days, even though a fighter might be beaten almost beyond recognition. But they didn't make it a practice of butting with the head.

I have seen many a gentlemanly, clean-cut boxer lose a contest he had been winning, and be scarred for life, by being butted. Then seen the fouling fighter declared winner and lauded for his victory. I am also acquainted with three boxers—all swell looking fellows—who were made blind in one eye by being thumbed (gouged) by some dirty so-and-so opponent.

Boxing commissions put out pretty little red or blue books which list the many kinds of unfair tactics that are violations of the rules, and referees remind the contestants to "be good little boys," etc. Then, all in authority sit back and allow the fouling fighter to go out and win in any way he can, even though his actions may ruin the show, injure the game, scar or maim his opponent.

Boxing is a sport, not warfare, and all those participating in it should have to regard it as such. All fouling fighters should be barred from the game.

Roscoe Scally, 133, former Los Angeles Golden Gloves champion, won a close eight-round decision over Eddie Singster, 130, at the Pasadena Arena. Scally put Singster in the resin in the third heat, and this was his only margin of victory, for, Eddie held his own in six of the other rounds and shook Roscoe up with rights to the jaw in the eighth round.

In the three supporting bouts, Henry Rich, 166, K.O.'ed Bilbo Smith, 170 (2); (This Bilbo is sure an obliging guy.) Teddy Guerrero, 140, iced Levi Board, 136 (2); (If Levi ever wins a fight, a flock of boxing fans will probably pass out from the shock.) Freddie Hernandez, 119, decisioned Tippy Larson, 120 (4). (This was the first time that Freddie had whipped Tippy this week.)

Well, Georgie Hansford of Los Angeles got his much-longed-for-chance to again fight in the top spot at the Hollywood Stadium, where he was a great favorite for many years. Hansford has been doing okeh against the mediocre competition in the most recent of his numerous comebacks, so, when a substitute was needed to meet Memo Llanes, Georgie was given the opportunity to again star in the ring where he had headlined a dozen years before. But, Georgie was only 20 then and he is 32 now, so, he has gone the way of all flesh.

Hansford still has that ole' fightin' spirit, however, and like most veterans who ever packed a punch—he still does, so, Georgie was still fighting back when the bout was stopped, and he had the satisfaction of scoring the only knock-down of the contest. A left hook spilled Llanes for a no-count in the second canto, which gave Hansford the round. However, the Mexican proved to have too much ability, as well as too much youth for the game veteran. The go was stopped in the fifth round by Referee Frankie Van and awarded to Memo on a T.K.O. when Hansford was bleeding badly from old eye cuts that had been opened up. Llanes weighed 138, Hansford 135.

Rene DeLeon, 146, windmilling Mexican of Los Angeles, punched out a win over Jackie Byrd, 143, Arkansas Traveler, in the six-round semi.

Other results: Roscoe Scally, 133, outpointed Jimmy Duvall, 132, in four; Fujo Escabido, 146, stopped Jimmy Johnson, 149, in the first; Rosendo Trejho, 123, and Pete Pacheco, 127, drew in four; Eddie Singster, 130, and Jess Salazar, 129, were fifty-fifty at the end of four.

Arturo Barron, 137, Los Angeles Mexican, jabbed and hooked his way to a ten-round win over Paul (Fancy Pants) Requejo, 132, San Jose, at the Ocean Park Arena. The decision was

unanimous, Barron forcing the fight all the way and being credited with seven of the rounds.

In the prelims, Bob Hawkins, 158, decisioned Frankie Calzo, 162, in four; Al Timmons, 180, and Battling Jones, 192, went four rounds to a draw; Pal Moran, 140, defeated Teddy Guerrero, 138, in four; Paul Lassiter, 145, disposed of Bob Robinson, 148, in the second; Mike Lopez, 133, in his pro debut, won over Babe Lewin, 135, in four.

This writer doesn't go very strongly for those "we wuz robbed" stories, but after seeing Carlos Chavez whip Maurice (Lefty) LaChance at the Los Angeles Olympic, as easily as a papa would his five-year-old son, I believe every bit of what was said regarding the deal Chavez received in a bout with LaChance at Savannah, Ga. The New England southpaw isn't in the same league with the Los Angeles Mexican.

It was their third meeting. They had met twice at Savannah (where Pvt. Chavez was stationed) where LaChance was handed a decision over Carlos. In this rubber match, LaChance garnered but one round, the fifth, in which he managed to keep the powerful little Mex at a distance with his unorthodox tactics. Chavez outboxed and outpunched the Frenchman in all the other four rounds fought. Carlos floored Lefty for a two-count in the fourth, and laid him out like a rug in the first minute of the sixth. Chavez weighed 128, LaChance 127.

In the six-round semi, an uninteresting one, Jackie Byrd, 144, Arkansas, and Rudy Campa, 144, San Fernando, fought to a draw.

In the four-rounders, Jeep Anderson, 125, and Rosendo Trejho, 124, battled to a draw; Val Valentino, 118, bested Ponce Jurado, 117; Paul Lassiter, 142, stopped Jimmy Fox, 138, in the second; Babe Lewin, 134, decisioned Mike Lopez, 133.

Willie Jones, 140, and Torpedo Reed, 141, fought to a ten-round draw at the Pasadena Arena. For five rounds the bout was rather slow and uninteresting, but the Negro boy made up for lost time in the last half of the go, slugging it out toe-to-toe in the final rounds.

In other bouts; Henry Rich, 163, stopped Al Slocum, 164 (2); Nate Gibson, 166, belted out Bilbo Smith, 170 (3); (There goes Bilbo again!) Teddy Guerrero, 141, beat Levi Board, 136 (4); (Honestly now, Levi, doesn't it get monotonous?) Freddie Hernandez, 121, defeated Tippy Larson, 119 (4). (Couldn't have started the show if either half of this team failed to appear.)

It is rarely that a winner of a fight is carried out of the ring unconscious, but that is what happened to the victor of the Goldberg-Ramirez contest at the Hollywood Stadium. (Well, you know Hollywood!) Goldberg was the winner of the ten-rounder, and he was the one carried to the dressing-room by his handlers, but it was heat prostration—not Ramirez, that bowled Benny over.

Goldberg, a clever, fast, hard-hitting boxer, probably the second best bantam in the world, most always puts on a safety-first performance that causes the customers more pain than it does his foe, but in this one, Benny really waged a fight. This writer has often panned the Jewish southpaw because of his rabid actions, so, herewith doffs his hat to Benny for the entertaining scrap he made in decisioning Ramirez.

Goldberg tore out at the opening bell (Ripley please note), bested the Mexican in the first heat, and floored Ramirez twice in the second, for nine- and three-counts. Pedro fought with a vengeance in the third and put Goldberg down for a one-count. The Detroiter fought fast to lead in the fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh rounds. The terrific pace tired Benny out and the tough little Aztec grabbed the final three heats to make the bout a close one. An instant after Goldberg was announced as winner—he fell off the stool in a faint. Each weighed 121.

In the semi, Little Giant, 123, San Diego Negro, finished strong to cop a close decision over Manuel Zapata, 128, Mexico City, who was making his California debut.

Other results: Rosendo Trejho, 124, and Bernardo Ramirez, 127, drew in four; Hugh Stell, 146, stopped Fugio Escabedo, 146, in two; Pete Pacheco, 127, whipped Stanley Jamison, 130, in four; Babe Huerta, 134, disposed of Mike Lopez, 132, in the second.

Little Giant, Negro featherweight of San Diego, defeated Rubin (Riviera) Sonorita of Mexico, in their ten-round rematch at the San Diego Coliseum. The bout lacked the thrills of their first meeting, three weeks previous. Sonorita garnered but two rounds, the third and fifth, in which he hit the stocky Negro with solid rights. Giant led in all other eight heats.

Kid Lester, Negro roughhouse welterweight of San Diego, stopped J. D. Spencer in the ninth round of another scheduled ten. Lester put Spencer on the deck in the fifth, but J. D. came back to smack the Kid around plenty until Lester nailed him with a haymaker in the 9th that put Spencer on the carpet and in a woozy condition, causing the referee to halt it.

In three prelims, Young Salvador decisioned Frank Conti in six; Jimmy Fox K.O.'ed Eddie Brant in the third; Phil Moya disposed of Sal Sanchez in three.

Frankie Angustain, 158, Los Angeles Mexican, punched his way to a ten-round decision over Jack Hunt, 153, at the Ocean Park Arena. Although there were no knockdowns, it was a free-swinging scrap all the way.

Eddie Singster, 130, received a bad break in the first round of his go with Babe Huerta, 133, when he fractured his ankle and lost by T.K.O.

Pal Moran, 140, defeated Eddie Ryan, 140, in four; Nate Gibson, 160, nodded Ted Gordon, 166; Henry Rich, 163, outpointed Tom Lester, 166; Freddie Hernandez, 120, decisioned—guess who?—that's right, Tippy Larson, 119. (I can't get away from those little guys.)

Too often it is merely the performance of the manager of a boxer that gets the match. Could this have been the case in Chuco Llanes being pitted against Baby Gonzales, at the Hollywood Stadium? Surely, Llanes' knockout of Henry Zamora, a preliminary kid, didn't merit the Mexican visitor this main-event. (In his previous start in this country, Llanes disposed of Zamora in the fifth round of a semi. Not much of a chore. Zamora had been stopped numerous times, and in less time, by prelim fighters.)

Llanes apparently realized he was overmatched, for, he started to run as soon as the first bell rang. Had one of the Stadium doors been ajar, he probably would have been across the Border before Gonzales could have tossed a glove at him. The Baby caught up with Llanes before the first round ended and put him in the resin for a seven-count with a right to the jaw.

Llanes came out aggressively in the second heat, but after a brief exchange, thought better of it, and again took it on the lam. Chuco remained perpendicular for three minutes, but Gonzales cornered him again in the third and spilled him for a nine-count. A right to the whiskers sprawled Chuco out for the full count in the fourth round. Gonzales weighed 126, Llanes 128.

Rene DeLeon, 144, pounded out a decision over Alexander Vega, 145, in a furiously fought six-round semi. These two Mexican club fighters slugged every inch of the way. Vega led in the early rounds, but wilted under the terrific pace, and Rene punched Alex around lustily in the late innings.

In the four-rounders, Bernardo Ramirez, 129, decisioned Al Miller, 131; Hal Moore, 190, won by T.K.O. over Allen Arnett, 173, in the second, due to a cut eye; Rudy Garcia, 159, and Nate Gibson, 160, fought a draw; Rueben Heredia, 123, drew with Freddie Hernandez, 118. (Why, Freddie, you trifler, just wait 'til Tippy Larson hears of this!)

It cannot be truthfully said that our present day boxers think of nothing but the money, especially the younger ones. Give the preliminary kid a chance to appear in the "main event"—and he cares little what the pay-off will be. So, the Pasadena Arena is still operating.

In the latest "star attraction" at this little club, Wilford Scott, 139, defeated Torpedo Reed, 140, in a 10-rounder. Scott piled up his lead with hard upper-cuts. Reed went all out for a kayo in the last two rounds, and the two Negro sluggers stood in their tracks and fought it out.

In other bouts, Henry Rich, 163, stopped Al over Jake Stephens, 158 (2); Tom Lester, 160, decisioned Billy Smith, 166 (4); Red Roden, 135, beat Billy Mitchell, 140 (4); Tippy Larson, 119, stopped Victor Garcia, 116 (3).

When a boxer enters the ring as scheduled, knowing that he is not in the physical condition to make his best efforts, and keeps that fact a secret—he is the perpetrator of a fraud, to my way of thinking.

Al Hart, Washington, D. C., Negro, squared off with Johnny Haynes, young Negro heavy of Los Angeles, in a scheduled ten-rounder at the Olympic. That is, it was Hart's big, beautifully-proportioned physique there in the ring, but an anemic, flat-chested guy with arthritis could have produced more stamina and exhibited more fighting spirit than the giant Negro soldier did. There was only one round of fighting—the first, with Haynes having a bit the best of it.

Both men missed badly in the second frame, which was a slow one, due to a lot of clinching, mostly Hart's. Al must have been watching those Federal employees in his home town, for, he sure put on slow motion in the third heat, and went strictly on defense. It was in the fourth that Hart commenced taking trips to the canvas. He went down twice for 9-counts from punches that drew boos from the crowd. His third time down was from a fairly solid right upper-cut, and he took the full count.

When asked his opinion, Referee Benny Whitman said that Hart was in no condition and had become exhausted. After the bout Hart said that he had been sick and was not trained for the go. This disgraceful alibi was verified by Army Officers at the camp where Hart is stationed. They said he had left the hospital a week before, where he had been confined for two weeks or more. Well, isn't somebody responsible for pulling off a bout with an unconditioned fighter headlining the show? Haynes weighed 212, Hart 226.

In the semi, Frankie Calzo, 160, copped a close decision over Ray Acosta, 165, in six spirited rounds.

In remaining prelims: Ted Jamison, 150, nodded Jackie Cooper, 156; Ciro Zurita, 128, and Reuben Heredia, 125, drew; Rosendo Trejho, 130, bested Romero Lopez, 129; Leonard Johnson, 127, decisioned Rosendo Trejho, 128, in four; four-rounders.

If, as was stated in the publicity, Maurice (Lefty) LaChance had won six of his last seven bouts just before coming to the Coast—the East must be suffering from lack of talent even more than we are out here. Lefty's first California start was at our largest arena, against one of our best; his second try was at one of the smaller clubs, against a lesser light.

Chuey Figueroa of Los Angeles outpointed LaChance in a ten-rounder at the Ocean Park Arena. The Mexican youngster outboxed his cagey southpaw opponent most all the way, being slowed up only occasionally when the New Englander went all out for a kayo. Lefty finished fast, but could not overcome Chuey's early lead. Figueroa weighed 130, LaChance 128.

Other results: Duncan Curry, 166, decisioned Willie Morris, 165 (4); Tom Lester, 161, shaded Nate Gibson, 162 (4); Pal Moran, 138, stopped Red Roden, 136 (3); Johnny Verdusco, 134, eliminated Tommy Jackson, 133 (2); Al Slocum, 164, bested Herman Bounds, 165 (4).

A Los Angeles preliminary boy, Red Roden, 135, pulled a surprise in stopping Roy Cadle, British born Negro, in the fifth round of a scheduled ten, at the San Diego Coliseum. Of course, the publicized Cadle might only be a prelim fighter, himself. Could be. The inexperienced Roden copped the opening round, but was outboxed in the next three frames. Roden spilled Cadle for a toll of three with a hard left in the fifth, and when the Honduras native arose, Red flattened him for the full count.

Eddie Jackson, 203, San Diego Negro, dumped Frank (Two Ton) Estrada, 229, Pasadena, for the fatal count in the third round of another scheduled ten.

Frankie Calzo, 160, and J. D. Spencer fought to a furious draw in six, which saw both on the floor in the third; Bob Murphy decisioned Ray Raymond in four; Flash Gordon and Frank Conti drew in four.

After seven rounds of furious battling, in which both contestants resorted to foul tactics, Cleo Shans, Brawley Negro, K.O.'ed Raul Zenit Cruz of Mexico in the eighth at the Hollywood Stadium. It was a nip and tuck affair, with Cruz out in front at the half-way point, and still about a fifty-fifty affair just before the payoff punch, partly because Referee Mushy Callahan deducted a couple of points from Shans for fouling.

Just as in their previous bout, also a torrid affair, Cruz pasted Cleo at long range, and Shans gave Raul a body beating when in close. After winning first two rounds, Cruz received eye cuts in the third, which he claimed (and was substantiated by the ref) was caused by Shans' noggin. The Mexican became enraged and wanted to continue fighting after the bell. Cruz sank to the floor from a left to the body in the fourth, which he claimed was foul, and the arbiter agreed with him that the blow was low. Raul came off the floor mad as a wet hornet and tore into Shans with a vengeance.

For the remainder of the round and in the fifth, which he won, Cruz hit on the breaks, and Shans butted. Raul ran out of petrol in the sixth, and Cleo gave him a beating about the body in the seventh and stretched him on his back for the count with a right to the jaw in the eighth. Each weighed 136.

Reecy Davis, 152, Texas, chilled Edgar Robinson, 155, Arizona, in the second round of the semi. Robinson was floored three times.

Jeep Anderson, 125, K.O.'ed Buddy Spencer, 124, in the opening round. Spencer was decked three times. Jake Stephens, 160, stopped Bob Hawkins, 157, in the fourth. Hawkins had taken seven trips to the canvas. Bernardo Ramirez, 127, decisioned Rosendo Trejho, 128, in four; Joey Alvano, 126, nodded Sammy Anders, 128, in the opener.

The customers went home in a very good frame of mind after this show, for, after witnessing thirteen knockdowns in the prelims, they were then treated to a blood-and-thunder main event.

Frank (Two Ton) Estrada, 225, Pasadena, disposed of Battling (?) Johnson, 192, in the third round of the featured bout at Pasadena Arena. A right to the tummy did the business. This is better luck than Estrada has been having. Frank was stopped in the north. He was stopped in the south. The roly-poly Mexican is probably through with traveling.

In three prelims, Leonard Johnson, 160, decisioned Henry Rich, 162, in eight rounds; Al Slocum, 164, finished Bilbo Smith (there he goes!) in just 30 seconds of the first round; Al Garcia iced Gil Mendoza in the first minute of the opening round.

Boxing fans in Pasadena will probably be elsewhere next Thursday night after this one.

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Corbett *vs.* Jackson

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ROUND 3—Jackson cut out the pace now, and put in right and left, but they were neatly stopped. Again Corbett reached for the stomach and landed one good right-hander. Both men showed wonderful skill, and the round closed with some scientific sparring, with honors even.

ROUND 4—Both feinted for an opening, and after several clinches by Corbett, Jackson landed his left on Corbett's jaw, but received three hot blows over the heart and two in the stomach in return. Corbett's tactics seemed infighting, and he certainly scored an advantage in the last rally, when he delivered a right-hander in Jackson's belly.

ROUND 5—Jackson, as usual, pressed the fighting, Corbett retiring, and when hard pressed clinching. In a rally both got in body blows, neither effective. Corbett closed the round with a right and left on the Negro's stomach.

ROUND 6—After some little play, Jackson landed his right on Corbett's neck, and the usual clinch followed, Corbett breaking away slowly. Jackson then led several times with his left for Corbett's neck, but failed to reach. Sparring for wind ended in a superb rally, in which Jackson landed a powerful left-hander on Corbett's wind, receiving only a light body blow in return.

ROUND 7—This opened with a beautiful exhibition of feinting, ending with the usual sweeping left-hander by Corbett on the Negro's belly. In this round, the different styles of the men were shown to the best advantage, all of Corbett's blows being delivered in a sweeping circle and all the Negro's, straight as a shot. The round closed with scarcely a blow struck, but it was a scientific treat.

ROUND 8—After brilliant feinting, followed with light exchanges and frequent clinches, the round closed with Jackson having a decided advantage.

ROUND 9—Corbett again began with his clinches, his method of neutralizing Jackson's superior reach. Finally Jackson led with his left and slipped. Corbett landed a heavy left-hander on the side of Jackson's head. As Jackson recovered and went for him, Corbett delivered a left on the side, and bounded out of the way of punishment like a rubber ball.

ROUND 10—This round was uneventful. Both made the usual exhibition of scientific work.

ROUND 11—Jackson rushed the fighting, forcing Corbett to the ropes, where he escaped like an eel, slipping through the Negro's arms. Jackson steadily pressed his man for an opening and Corbett responded with a fine left-hand lead for the stomach, which Jackson evaded by a backward jump.

ROUND 12—Corbett clinched repeatedly to save himself from the Negro's rushes. He always escaped, getting only slight punishment.

ROUND 13—This was uneventful, but marked by some forcing tactics by Jackson, making Corbett continually step backward.

ROUND 14—After several light rallies, Corbett landed squarely with his left on Jackson's nose. This was the cleanest blow so far delivered in the fight.

ROUND 15—Only one effective punch was delivered in this round, the Negro landing it. He reached Corbett's chest just under the throat with his left.

ROUND 16—Corbett rushed in and planted a left-hander on the Negro's neck. In return he received two right-handers on the chest.

ROUND 17—Both warmed to the work. Jim landed twice on Jackson's neck, and Jackson caught Jim on the left shoulder, a powerful right-hander. The Negro then rushed, landing left and right on Corbett's jaw. The round closed with a plain advantage for Jackson, who scored first blood.

ROUND 18—Jackson led viciously with his left for Corbett's jaw, landing twice. The round closed with a powerful left-hander by Corbett on Jackson's neck.

ROUND 19—Corbett clinched repeatedly to escape Jackson's punching left. He showed a wonderful quickness in foot work, once jumping aside so that Jackson's left-hander delivered with all his force, nearly stretched Jackson on the carpet. Jackson never gave his man a moment's time, and ended the round with a vicious left square on Corbett's chin.

ROUND 20—It opened with marvelous ducking by Corbett, who ended this work by delivering a powerful left on Jackson's nose. It would have dazed a white man, but seemed to have little effect on the Negro.

ROUND 21—Corbett tried infighting, but got the worst of it, receiving a right-hander on the chest and a left-hander on the nose. He made no headway in his new tactics.

ROUND 22—In rapid succession, Jackson hit Corbett three times on the mouth. Corbett made a series of light ring-like rushes, followed by clinches, but it was evident that the Negro could reach his neck and head more easily than at the outset.

ROUND 23—The Negro followed his man persistently, landing occasionally on the neck, but they were only light blows. Corbett wasn't quite so quick as at the beginning. Jackson's evident purpose was to deliver a knockout blow on the neck.

ROUND 24—Corbett's only purpose seemed to be to avoid the Negro's murderous leads at his neck and breast. Jackson landed twice with evident effect. Corbett spat blood freely in his corner.

ROUNDS 25 and 26—Both were marked by the same tactics on Jackson's part, a patient following of his man around the ring, getting in occasional blows on the neck. Corbett, at the close of the twenty-sixth, retaliated with two vicious, swinging left-handers on the Negro's stomach.

ROUND 27—The latter half of the round was marked by a fierce rally. Corbett, with lightning rapidity, jumped in, and landed twice on Jackson's wind, but in return he received both right and left on the neck.

ROUND 28—Jackson rushed the fighting from the outset, but soon Corbett pulled out and gave a phenomenal exhibition of his powers. He delivered right and left on the Negro's neck and stomach, getting only a few light blows in return. 'Twas decidedly Corbett's round and created great enthusiasm.

ROUND 29—Corbett tried rushing. It was hurricane fighting, and for a moment the Negro was rattled. He soon recovered, however, and landed on Corbett's mouth with right and left. Both clinched frequently, and both were suffering for wind.

ROUND 30—Corbett again rushed and moved off unhurt in a fierce rally, in which he delivered a series of body blows, which were far more effective than the neck blows that Jackson delivered.

ROUNDS 31 and 32—They were mainly sparring for wind, with no advantage to either side.

ROUND 33—Jackson pressed the fighting at the outset, reaching for Corbett's wind and neck. Corbett got two punishing left-handers in the neck, but most of the round was spent in sparring.

ROUNDS 34 to 40—From the thirty-fourth to the thirty-eighth round almost nothing was done. The Negro scored two good blows, both on the neck, just under the chin. The thirty-ninth and fortieth rounds were quiet.

ROUND 41—Three hot left facers in Jackson's favor were landed to one for Corbett in the wind. Jim then jumped up and landed lightly on the Australian's jaw. Peter more than got even on the mouth and then soaked a terrific one on Jim's bellows. A rush by Corbett was neatly stopped. They rallied at the end, with Corbett going for the body and Jackson for the jaw. It was a hard round, with both men very tired.

ROUND 42—Only one feeble left-hand lead was made in the round and that by Corbett.

ROUND 43—Each man got in quickly after a minute's sparring with their left mawlies, Jackson on the body and Jim on the jaw. Clever sparring until the round closed.

ROUNDS 44 and 45—Little was done except a lot of sparring.

ROUND 46—After sparring for half a minute, Peter landed a corking left on Jim's jaw, and followed up his advantage with one on the neck, and a moment later Corbett got in two speedy blows. He swung his left for the body just as the gong rang and narrowly missed Jackson, who bowed and smiled as he started for his corner.

ROUND 47—They sparred for nearly one minute, at the end of which Peter got in twice pretty hard on Pompadour Jim's stomach.

ROUND 48—Peter swung both hands wickedly and landed the left on the neck. Then Jim came back gamely and got in a swinging left on Peter's neck. They got in at close quarters and Jackson sent in three hot ones and got away without being damaged. Corbett appeared the worse off when they went to their corners.

ROUND 49—They sparred for an opening over two minutes. Jackson only made one light pass and it caught Jim squarely on the Adam's apple. This was the only effective blow struck in the round.

ROUNDS 50 to 52—These were rounds of tiresome posing from first to last.

ROUNDS 53 to 57—Up to and inclusive of rounds 56 and 57, statue work only was done all through, though in the fifty-fifth, when Corbett landed a light love tap, a sort of a lefter under Pete's right eye, the crowd yelled like Piutes.

ROUND 58—Jim swung his left for the body, but missed by about a foot. Then Peter chased Jim a little, and the tired pugs did statue business again in the center of the arena until the round closed.

ROUND 59—This round was a continuation of statue work.

ROUND 60—When the gong sounded, Referee Hiram Cook called the men up and told them they had to fight if they wanted to get the purse. He told them that no walk-around business went with the club. The club demanded action or no pay.

Not a good blow was struck in the round, however, and at the end of the round several clamored for Cook to call it a draw. The fans realized that both men were extremely tired and that there was ample reason for the let-up in the milling.

ROUND 61—At the end of the sixtieth round there was much confusion and shouts for a draw, but the men came out for the sixty-first round, and this also was a walking match. At the close, Referee Cook said:

"Both these men have declared that they cannot fight any more; you see it for yourselves, so I declare this no contest."

IN SYRACUSE RINGS

By BILLY SHAW

ERECTION of Syracuse's much-needed public auditorium is planned as a post-war construction effort during 1946. The building will be a memorial to those boys and girls from Syracuse who lost their lives in World War II. Boxing, wrestling, hockey, basketball, indoor softball, dancing, conventions, etc., can then be properly staged, exploited and large crowds comfortably housed. Our town has not had a suitable building for sports available since the Arena was sold to the local bus corporation. Yes, sir! Boxing in Syracuse will come back into its own some time during the coming new year.

With the war over and thousands of service men returning to civilian life, it is gratifying to find so many of the boys taking up the mitt sport successfully. And besides the new additions to the game, think of all the new fight fans that have been developed through the use of boxing as a morale builder for the armed forces.

Excitement followed excitement at Lloyd Welsh's Aug. 22 boxing card at Binghamton. At weighing-in time Jack Larkin arrived from Garfield, N. J., short two fighters. Welsh put in an SOS to Syracuse's Irv Robbins, who supplied a couple of subs, arriving in Bingo about an hour before fight time. During the program, which sizzled with action, first one thing then another went wrong. But the big blow followed the completion of the show. Milford Hooks, 49, veteran Negro second and trainer, died of a heart attack in the dressing room while rubbing down Lew Perez. Hooks collapsed and was rushed to City Hospital. He was pronounced dead on arrival!

Jackie Taylor, Binghamton middleweight, topped the thrilling show, easily defeating Lew Perez, 155, billed out of Puerto Rico. Taylor took five of the eight rounds and could have done better. Perez failed to impress the fans with his wild swinging tactics and likely won't be invited back.

The sensation of the evening was the whackfest between Don Allen, 133½, Binghamton, and Hal Arrington, 128¼, of the same burg. Allen floored Arrington for a count of six in the first round, was down himself for eight in the second. Allen took the duke at the end of four spine-tingling rounds. The semi, scheduled for eight rounds, showed Bud Gregory, 189, the winner over Eddie McGee, 180, Syracuse, in 1:29 of the second round. Gregory belted McGee's belly so hard Edward simply caved in!

Other results at Bingo: Leo Dundee, 162, Endicott, knocked out Joe Robinson, 158½, Garfield, N. J., in the second round; Nick Ruggeri, Endicott, scored a technical kayo over Frankie Olmedo, Puerto Rico, in the third, Olmedo claiming a low blow that prevented him from coming out for the fourth. Astor Rice, 143½, Binghamton, outweighed Joey Kushner, 134, Syracuse, some nine pounds, but K.O. Kushner put Rice out of action in the second. A vicious left to the eye opened a three-inch wound over the optic, causing the club physician, Dr. R. L. Hamilton, to curtain activities for Astor. Bud Scouten, 145, Binghamton, knocked out Frank Pelleteri, 140, Liberty, in the second.

At Albany, Sept. 4, Tommy (Tee) Hubert, 166, Washington, chalked up his second straight upstate knockout, when he halted Al Evans, 163½, Montreal, in six. Previously, Hubert had belted out Bobby Giles of Buffalo in two heats at Binghamton. The eight-round semi showed Jay Pagnelli, 166, Belleville, N. J., the victor over Charley McPherson, 161½, Brooklyn.

Frankie Petrolle, Schenectady warrior of a few years back, was a crackerjack welterweight during his fighting days. The bull-shouldered Dorp City bruiser was recently honorably discharged from the Navy after suffering a fractured leg. Frankie now tips the Fairbanks at 250 pounds, and is operating the Ringside Grill, doing very nicely in his home town!

LEFT-HOOKS: Joey Kushner, the cigar-puffing lightweight with the murderous left swing, has won his last four Binghamton bouts, three by knockouts . . . . Jolting Joe stopped Astor Rice twice, first time in two, the next in one . . . . Kushner beat Chuck Hall in six at the Parlor City thump hall, and chilled Little Palmo in two . . . . Weight means nothing to Kushner, half of Joey's opponents are heavier than he by 10 and 15 pounds! . . . . Billy Ames, English sportsman, who gave up fistic promoting here to become Narragansett Park's tub thumper, is back in boxing as manager of Ernie Forte, Providence featherweight . . . . C.P.O. Art Sykes, Elmira, N. Y., heavyweight, who went eight rounds with Champ Joe Louis in 1934 (before the Bomber won the crown), is doing a good job with the Navy . . . . Friends of Sal Mirabito, former intercollegiate heavyweight champion of Syracuse University, claim Sal will not take up boxing when he gets out of the service . . . . They say Sal plans to be a physical education teacher . . . . He is with a replacement group in the Philippines . . . . Recently honorably discharged from the Army, Carmen DeJohn, North Side light-heavyweight, is pondering the advisability of returning to the ring.

Capt. Al Cohan, Special Service Officer with the A.A.F., is now located at Camp Kohler, Sacramento, Calif. . . . . Joe Netro, who has been in the game so long he can't do anything else, is assistant matchmaker for the Fairview A.C. in Buffalo . . . . During the war, all Irv Robbins' fighters (he has a stable of 40) were employed in defense plants . . . . They worked by day, trained nights, and fought good fights . . . . Tiger Valentino, who turned in some spectacular slugfests as an amateur welter, is doing a lot for the boys' morale overseas . . . . Stan Callahan, Utica fistic impresario, has never cropped up with a pair of fighters to equal Mickey Barron and Stanley Cooper . . . . Eddie Gallagher, one-time pilot of Bob Moody, the heavyweight, plans to return to the game when Syracuse gets its new indoor arena . . . . Gabe Genovese has spent $25,000 rebuilding his cafe, which was badly damaged by fire several months ago . . . . The new spot is an eye-catcher . . . . Newark's Joey Curcio, very popular here, is going like a house afire . . . . Back from his annual trek to Clayton, N. Y., and the Thousand Islands, Benny Carnegie, who used to fight as Young Benton, is in rare good trim . . . . Benny is down to fighting weight, 165 pounds . . . . Nick (Young) Michaels, former central New York lightweight champion of other days, is now driving a bus for the city transit lines . . . . Lt. Billy Shaw, Jr., after four and one-half years' service in the Army Air Corps, during which he had 13 months' combat overseas, was honorably discharged last month . . . . Young Bill has the Air Medal with five Oak Leaf Clusters, a Presidential Unit Citation, and a splendid record that we are very, very proud of . . . . Billy, Jr., will go into business about the time this reaches the press . . . . To those who have written us and have not yet received a reply —it's on the way.

PHILADELPHIA NOTES
By NAT FRANK

IN downtown Philadelphia is a section known as Little Italy. From this part of the City of Brotherly Love came some of the greatest fistmen. There resided even a world champion, namely, Midget Wolgast, the one-time king of the flyweight division.

Other prominent Latin-American fistmen hailing from the famous Little Italy sector were such luminaries as Patsy Wallace, Pat Bradley, Tommy Howell, Billy Willis, Eddie Wagond, Young Joe Borrell, the Nelson brothers, Joe, Wally and Al, Lew Massey, Tony Falco, Babe Ruth, Frankie Howell, Jimmy Mendo, Charley Ray, Henry (Kid) Wolfe, Freddy Corbett, Joe Grimm, Kid Stinger, Battling Stinger, Jack Palmer, Marty Collins, Tommy Forte, Johnny Forte and Mickey Diamond.

All of the above mentioned, plus many other ring greats, made their reputations within the hempen ropes. And each took special pride that he carried the colors of Little Italy into the ring with him.

Today there is a quintet of gladiators coming from the same boundaries that is called Little Italy. Three have already come to the fore and are looked upon as good enough to battle anyone in the world at their weight. The trio is composed of Frankie Carto, featherweight contender; Eddie Giosa and Santa Bucca, lightweights. The other pair are youngsters who show plenty of promise. They are Johnny Wolgast, cousin of the former flyweight king, and Paul Febbo, a hard-hitting two-fisted gladiator. Both of the latter are featherweights.

Giosa, managed by the Fats Garry-Pete Martin combine, and Bucca, looked after by Eddie Cipresso, are ready to sign on behalf of their charges to take on the cream of 135-pounders.

Johnny Wolgast, who is managed by his uncle, Frank Loscalzo, and trained by the Midget, is going places in the 126-pound field. The same can be said of Febbo, who is sporting the managerial banner of the popular Frank "Blinky" Palermo.

Wesley Mouzon, the gladiator under the management of Tom Montgomery and Gene Buffalo, suffered his initial setback after having won 22 consecutive engagements. The man who dished out the first defeat to the local warrior was the seasoned Allie Stolz of Newark.

The fact that Mouzon lost—and it was a hurricane battle from the very start—should not take anything away from the glover.

The show, promoted by Herman Taylor, provided the fans with plenty of tense moments with Mouzon displaying an "educated left" that proved to be annoying to the aggressive Stolz.

Two weeks following this card, Promoter Taylor staged the final outdoor card of the season, topped by Ike Williams, N.B.A. lightweight champion, and Gene Burton of New York. Burton did himself proud in this encounter and while he lost to Williams, our score being by a 6 to 4 round margin, the Metropolitan mauler might have won had he not concentrated entirely too much on trying to go the full route.

The results of the bouts staged here follow:

At Herman Taylor's Arena Stadium, Aug. 13—Allie Stolz of Newark, 134½, defeated Wesley Mouzon of Philadelphia, 134, in 10 rounds; Clent Conway of New York, 177, knocked out Austin Johnson of Atlantic City, 181, in 5 rounds; Tony Vero of Rome, N. Y., 145, knocked out Johnny Fry of Chester, 139, in 5 rounds; Mel Neary of Philadelphia, 128½, belted out Billy Verdon of Philadelphia, 135, in 5 rounds; Eden Germaine of Philadelphia, 132, decisioned Tony Richards of Philadelphia, 137, in 6 rounds.

At Herman Taylor's Arena Stadium, Aug. 28—Ike Williams of Trenton, 134, decisioned Gene Burton of New York, 138½, in 10 rounds; Johnny Wolgast of Philadelphia, 122½, beat Benny May of Montreal, 120, in 8 rounds; Chicken Thompson of Philadelphia, 159½, knocked out Johnny Finney of Philadelphia, 160, in 6 rounds; Paul Berg of Philadelphia, 134½, beat Sandy Thompson of Philadelphia, 130½, in 6 rounds; Jimmy Parlin of Philadelphia, 114½, decisioned Reds Hull of Philadelphia, 120½, in 6 rounds.

Fighters, attention—If you have no managerial tie-ups, be sure to communicate with us, Nat Frank, 209 S. 53rd St., Philadelphia 39, Pa. This is the best territory in the country and you can't go wrong by seeking us out to do your business. Send us press matter, photos and your record and leave the rest to us.

With the Old-Timers—Al Monahan, one-time Kensington lightweight, now serving through his second war in the U. S. Navy, and who was laid up for the past two months at the Naval Hospital, Fort Eustis, Va., with a stomach ailment, is now home with a medical discharge . . . . Morrie Fishman and Rudy Fried, who promoted boxing shows at the West Philadelphia brick pile for many years, are in the insurance business . . . . Patsy Boyle has organized a boys' club and baseball team for kids around 3rd and Bainbridge Streets . . . . Young Charlie O'Neil's sons, George and Charles, Jr., are with the Navy in the South Pacific.

Hank McGovern, sensational bantamweight bifferaround the time of World War I, is a municipal employee . . . . William Marrillo, the Babe Wolf of boxing fame, owns and operates the Plaza, an Italian restaurant, on the White Horse Pike, near Atco, N. J. . . . . Joe Shannon is back in the advertising business and has three sons in the service . . . . Ad's a corporal in Antwerp, Belgium; Bill, an infantry captain in Germany, and Joe, Jr., a Marine first lieutenant in Hawaii . . . . Billy Richards, the former welter-belter, manages George Morrow's cafe in Wildwood, N. J. . . . . Septuagenarian Max Biddorf, who boxed as a featherweight, pedalled a bicycle the 105 miles from his home in Germantown to Wildwood in seven hours on one of the hottest days of the year . . . . Max is one of the few Twentieth Century cyclists still alive . . . . The Sailor Whites and Sam Fergusons celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary last month . . . . Ralph Villano is working at the Chester Ford plant . . . . Fred (Kid) Aurisch is rounding out his 25th year with the Edward G. Budd Mfg. Co. . . . . He's a supervisor.

Fighter of Month

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out Clement Rodriguez, 5. Benny May outpointed Frankie Pucci, 8. Pucci outpointed Louis Langley, 6. May lost to Johnny Wolgast, 8; drew with Joe Richey, 6; outpointed Tony Oshiro, 6. Richey outpointed Smokey Joe, 4. Pucci outpointed May, 8. Stanley Stinson knocked out Rafael Rosales, 3.

Eddie Compo outpointed Juan Carrero, 6; outpointed Filberto Osario, 6. Leon Marcus outpointed DeWitt Oliver, 4. Joe Borjon outpointed Dan Kaelkini, 4; knocked out Al Rodriguez, 1. Eddie Miller knocked out Joe Grant, 6. Clint Miller outpointed Frankie Franconeri, 6.

Bobby Clarke drew with Pat Donovan, 4. Al Moreno knocked out Chuck Edwards, 2. Henry Young outpointed Sal Sanchez, 4; knocked out Sanchez, 2.

Bernardino Ramirez outpointed Jess Salazar, 4; outpointed Battling Rosendo, 4; outpointed Henry Zamora, 6. Rosendo outpointed Romero Lopez, 4; outpointed Jimmy Pera, 4. Ramirez and Rosendo drew, 4. Ramirez outpointed Al Miller, 4; knocked out Henry Zamora, 3. Rosendo outpointed Ciro Zurita, 4.

Babe Huerta outpointed Babe Lewin, 4; knocked out Benny Rubin, 3; knocked out Levi Board, 2; knocked out Mike Lopez, 2. Wray Carter knocked out Cleve Holt, 2. Augie Brett outpointed Carey Mace, 3.

Pete Pacheco outpointed Stan Jamison, 4; outpointed Vernon Reis, 4; drew with Nick Diaz, 4; drew with Jimmy Pera, 4. Archie Stock outpointed Billy Hurd, 6; knocked out Jimmy Mason, 3. Juan Manuel outpointed Chuck Floyd, 4.

Duane Hoag outpointed Johnny Archeulete, 6; drew with Benny Jerome, 6; outpointed Louis Salas, 6. Harry Parisi knocked out Frankie Adams, 2; knocked out by Leslie Harris, 3. Vince Laurio knocked out Lucky Johnson, 5.

Nick Ruggeri knocked out Frankie Olemedo, 2. Filberto Osario outpointed Ralph McNeil, 6. Mario Morales knocked out Arquimides Yirac, 6. Frank Chaffin outpointed Dick Davis, 4.

Charley Cellars knocked out Sammy Montana, 2; outpointed Ted Couynoyer, 4. Gene Leblanc knocked out Gene Gomez, 2; knocked out Art Gomes, 2; outpointed Jerry Lavigne, 6. Irving Magid knocked out Joey Neil, 2; outpointed Tony Oshiro, 6. Harry Thompson drew with Frank Warren, 6. Reg Launt outpointed Dick Harris, 8.

Pat Iacobucci knocked out George Stone, 2. Eddie Raymond knocked out Willie Marcus, 1. Benny Jerome outpointed Mike Finley, 4; outpointed Joe Claimo, 4; outpointed Pedro Gomez, 4; lost to Lloyd Watts, 4; outpointed Watts, 6; drew with Ralph Garrison, 6.

Bill Swoboda knocked out Tony Nelson, 2. Tony Longo knocked out Jim Cotton, 2. Steve Curley knocked out Marcus McCrea, 2. Bobby McQuillan knocked out Bert White, 1.

Danny Verone outpointed Jimmy Louis Cobb, 4. Lloyd Hudson outpointed Tony Ferry, 8; knocked out Johnny Parks, 3. Cliff Smith knocked out Ralph Turpin, 3. Bo Davis and Maxie Docusen, no decision, 6.

Ray Alva knocked out Ray McNally, 5. Chuey Rodriguez outpointed Kid Dillinger, 4. Manny Marmolejo drew with Francisco Saucedo, 4. Young Pahokee outpointed Jack Decker, 4.

Young Gagnon knocked out Eddie Gallant, 3. Little Giant outpointed Battling Rosendo, 4. Kid Basil outpointed Al Pooney, 6. Lou Castro outpointed Joey Mazza, 4. Georgie Stevens outpointed Johnny Alford, 4.

Harry Jeffra drew with Mickey Quack, 10. Lloyd Hudson outpointed Blond Tiger, 8. Henry Young drew with Phil Moya, 4. Earl Trader knocked out Mel Neary, 4. Frankie Parramore knocked out Sammy Monatan, 3. Irving Magid outpointed Louis Long, 6.

Bantamweight contests: Benny Goldberg outpointed Pedro Ramirez, 10. Rolando Delgado outpointed Congo Guevera, 8; Guevera knocked out Delgado, 3. Tony Olivera drew with Luis Castillo, 15.

Jackie Paterson outpointed Jimmy Brady (15 rounds) for bantamweight crown.

Young Chocolate knocked out Indian Villareal, 4. Eli Galindo outpointed Ramon Ruiz, 10.

Tony Acevido knocked out Jackie White, 3. Acevido knocked out by Jimmy Callura, 3. Callura knocked out Wendel Douglas, 2. Callura knocked out Jimmy Lewis, 2.

Francisco Colon Garcia knocked out Tony Oshiro, 5; knocked out Jimmy Allen, 2; outpointed Kudo Ortiz, 4; outpointed Louis Langley, 6. Jimmy Parlin outpointed Willie Alexander, 6; outpointed Red Hull, 6.

Sal Clementi outpointed Bobby Cook, 6. Van Valentino outpointed Ponce Jurado, 4; Jurado outpointed Buddy Taylor, 4. Valentino outpointed Jimmy Pera, 4.

Dick Egan knocked out Young Finnegan of Maine, 1. Fred Hernandez outpointed Tippy Larsen, 4; drew with Reuben Heredia, 4. Heredia drew with Ciro Zurita, 4. Jack Josephs outpointed Bluey Dalton, 4.

Benny Cousins outpointed Buddy Taylor, 4; knocked out by Al Luna, 3. Eddie Hines knocked out Ralph Turpin, 1. Turpin knocked out Jackie Muncie, 2. Wendel Douglas knocked out Jackie White, 1.

Jose Gonzales outpointed Pedro Medina, 6. Stan Mott knocked out Young Melrose, 4. Val Valentino knocked out Benny Cousins, 2; Don McLean outpointed Wendel Douglas, 4.

Frankie Mack drew with Jackie Greenberg, 6. Frankie Rivera knocked out Tony Calato, 2.

Flyweight bouts: Luis Galvani beat Lorenzo Safora for bantam crown, 12. Black Pico knocked out Chicho Bouza, 5. Leonard Flocco knocked out Billy Commodore, 2.

Leonard Flocco knocked out Jimmy Lewis, 1.

CLEVELAND BOXING NEWS
By PHIL GOLDSTEIN

AUGUST 22 at the Stadium, Jimmy Bivins, 186½, was too sharp and hit too hard for Archie Moore, 168½. Jimmy scored seven knockdowns, the kayo coming in the sixth round. Jimmy scored a double kayo, for in addition to the sixth-round knockout he flattened Moore with a blow after the bell in the second. The bout was resumed after a rest of five minutes.

In the semi-final, Danny Kapilow, 147, New York City, was too strong and too experienced for Bobby Giles, 153, Buffalo, kayoing him in the fourth of a very pleasing bout. Danny knocked his opponent down in the second, was hurt by a right cross in the third, and floored his opponent twice in the fourth.

In a six-rounder that went on after the feature, Mickey Doyk, 157, Toronto, had a decisive edge over Tony Brush, 155.

In the four-rounders, Johnny Abbot, 149, was too clever for aggressive Sammy Muscato, 155, Buffalo.

Juan Manuel, 128, beat Chuck Lloyd, 127, in a sizzler. Lloyd had previously decisioned Manuel. Rudy Zadell, 138, Barberton, lost a split verdict to Carl Olsen, 134, Buffalo.

Leroy Jackson boxed in Baltimore on August 13, defeating a very good boy in Al Pennino, New York. Leroy hit too hard and mixed too well for his clever opponent. The bout was stopped at the end of the seventh round, Pennino suffering from a bad cut over the right eye.

Pvt. Carl Margolis, who boxed well in Cleveland amateurs several years ago, teaches and conducts boxing at Camp Maxey, Texas.

BROADCAST FROM NEW YORK

By HARRY MARKSON

EVEN if the recent summer boxing season had not been a financial success, New York promoters would still have had to regard it as a particularly good one because of the number of outstanding young fighters who were developed during the hot weather months. Not only Madison Square Garden but all the smaller clubs—Queensboro Arena, MacArthur Stadium, Fort Hamilton Arena, Sterling Oval—each brought out promising youngsters who are now playing an important part in the New York boxing picture and promise to become even more important during the fall-winter season.

The Broadway Arena, Ridgewood Grove, St. Nicholas Arena, Westchester County Center, and the other so-called small clubs, as well as the Garden, now find it extremely convenient to call on the services of the many young scrappers developed during the summer. Some of these may not live up to their early promise. Others, however, may go on to become future champions or at least topnotchers.

Among the best of the youngsters developed in recent months and at present playing prominent roles in the fight programs in the Metropolitan area are Tony Pellone, a lightweight who shows great promise and recently defeated Lulu Costantino at the Queensboro Arena; Eddie Compo, New Haven, Conn., featherweight, who has piled up a long string of victories; Sandy Saddler, Harlem featherweight, who has, at this writing, knocked out 23 of his last 26 opponents; Louis Rousse, New Orleans welterweight, who has shown up very well in New York rings; Leo Milito, East Side lightweight youngster whom Chris Dundee is guiding with care.

Other highly promising lads from whom much is expected include Eddie Murphy, former crack amateur lightweight, who has performed commendably since turning professional; Sal Richie, Brooklyn lightweight; Lou Valles, East Side welterweight; Al Seidman, Scranton, Pa., welterweight; Joey Carkido, Youngstown, Ohio, lightweight, who is a stablemate of Tony Janiro; Vinnie LaSalva, Mt. Vernon welter, who became an excellent attraction in Westchester; Burl Charity, Ohio welterweight; Buddy Garcia, Galveston, Texas, lightweight.

Others include Tony Del Gatto, Brooklyn welterweight, who is growing into a middleweight; Tony Ferrara, local featherweight; Frank Pucci, Toronto bantamweight; Archie DeVino, Long Island bantamweight; Charlie Smith, Newark lightweight; Joe Curcio, Newark welterweight, who is rated one of New Jersey's top attractions; Charley Fusari, another Newark welterweight; Al LaBarba, Bronx welterweight; Jimmy McAllister, Baltimore lightweight; Len Taglia, Utica welterweight; Augie Lapara, New Orleans feather. There are others, of course, but these are some who come to mind.

Outside New York, too, a number of fine young prospects came to the fore during the season just closed. These included Jackie Graves, Minneapolis featherweight; Irish Mickey Doyle, Belfast, Ireland, middleweight, who has been doing his fighting in the Middle West; Cliff Beckett, Buffalo middleweight; Archie Stack, a New York youngster who has been winning consistently in New Jersey rings where he competes as a featherweight; Leroy Jackson, Cleveland featherweight; Buddy Hayes, Boston featherweight, and Nick Stato of Hartford. Here, too, there are doubtless many more and we'll soon be reading about them.

No listing of up-and-coming youngsters could be complete however, without a mention of the sensational youngster from New Orleans, Bernie Docusen, who is already rated as one of the best ring performers developed in the South in years. Docusen defeated Phil Terranova, Lulu Costantino, Jackie Graves, and a flock of other strong opponents. At this writing he is still laying off boxing until a New Orleans court case is straightened out, the case revolving around the question of whether Docusen is white or Negro. New Orleans does not permit mixed matches. Docusen claims, however, that he is white. There is talk that he will switch the scene of his activities to New York and George Winn, who represents him in New York, has been trying to get the local boxing commission to lift its ban on 18-year-old lads boxing more than six rounds. Thus far he has not been successful.

Ring Around the Resin—The first "RING Magazine" championship belt to be awarded since Pearl Harbor was presented to Willie Pep, world featherweight titleholder, at a dinner in Bridgeport, Conn., honoring Billy Prince, newly-appointed Connecticut boxing commissioner. . . . The presentation to Pep was made by Nat Fleischer, editor and publisher of "RING Magazine." . . . Last champion to receive a championship belt was Sammy Angott, former lightweight champion, who got the award in December, 1941. . . . The belt given Pep was the 122nd such award made by Fleischer since he started the practice of honoring world champions in 1922. . . . Fleischer was one of the guest speakers at the dinner for Prince who succeeded Frank Coskey recently as commissioner in the Nutmeg State. . . . Marty Servo, Schenectady welterweight, who has been in the Coast Guard for four years, is now back in action as a ring performer, having received his discharge. Servo, managed by Al Weill, was an outstanding title contender before joining the service and expects to reestablish himself as a leading challenger. He twice gave Ray Robinson close battles. Before enlisting in the Coast Guard, Servo had spent a year in the Army. Of considerable interest in New York fight circles was the arrest of Max Schmeling by British Military Government authorities for "breach of orders." Schmeling had made an effort to obtain a license to enter the publishing business for the purpose "of re-educating the youth of Germany." The license was denied on the ground that Schmeling was "a symbol of Nazism during the war for the youth of Germany." But just why Max should have been arrested was not made clear in the first dispatches.

The New York middleweight known as George (Wildcat) Henry, managed by Jackie Barrett, is now being called "Upset" Henry by Springfield, Mass., boxing writers. In four bouts there Henry first upset the favored Frankie Ross, then he upset the favored Johnny Carter, followed that by upsetting Mario Ochoa, and then turned in the biggest upset of all by trouncing Cocoa Kid. Henry, an ex-serviceman, gave a masterful boxing exhibition in winning decisively from Cocoa, who is a master boxer himself. Barrett has been extremely fortunate with Henry whose managerial contract he acquired without the expenditure of a penny. Henry simply came to him and asked him to be his manager. Today Henry has established himself as a leading middleweight.

Gus Wilson, in New York with his Mexican lightweight Nick Moran, reveals that he is planning to open a health farm some miles out of Los Angeles. There is a youngster stationed at Lowry Field in Colorado named Lou Lazzara who hopes someday to follow in the footsteps of his father and win a world title. For Lazzara is the son of Joe Dundee, one time welterweight champion. Young Lou was an engineer-gunner on a flying fortress, wears the Distinguished Service Cross, and the Air Medal with three clusters. He is also pretty handy with his fists. Lt. Col. Eddie Eagan, chairman of the New York State Athletic Commission, in a statement issued recently, predicted the biggest boom in boxing's history for the immediate post-war years. He thinks the $2,600,000 gate of the Tunney-Dempsey fight in Chicago will be exceeded in the not remote future.

Jackie Barrett, New York fight manager, tells a funny story in connection with a bout between his lightweight, Chester Rico, and Ralph Walton, of Canada, held at Stamford, Conn. . . . According to Barrett, Rico was so far in front at the end of the eighth round that he coasted the last two rounds. . . . The contest, says Barrett, was one-sided from start to finish. At the end of the bout, however, Referee Lou Bougash lifted not only Rico's hand but Walton's as well, signalling that the contest was a draw. "Hey," yelled Barrett, "What are you doing, Bougash? My fighter won by a mile. Why are you calling this thing a draw?" . . . "I know your fighter won," said the referee (at least that's what Barrett says). "But a draw is good for the club" . . . and it's as a draw that the fight goes into the record books. Willie Gilzenberg, manager of Freddie Cochrane, is furious at Abe J. Greene, president of the N.B.A., because of the latter's announcement that champions now out of the service would have to get ready to defend their titles. . . . "Nobody is going to tell me when Red Cochrane is ready to defend his welterweight championship," says Gilzenberg. "I'll determine that myself."

Apparently Archie Moore, Jimmy Johnston's clever light-heavyweight, lost no prestige as a result of his fluke kayo by Jimmy Bivins in Cleveland. . . . Johnston has been swamped by offers for the fighter's services. Chalky Wright continues to amaze the boxing world. Some months ago he trounced Willie Joyce in California in a stunning upset. . . . Even more spectacular was his more recent victory over Enrique Bolanos in Los Angeles. . . . Bolanos was a prohibitive pre-fight favorite. Scotty Monteith, veteran Detroit boxing figure, is fully recovered from an illness that had him bedridden for 14 weeks and recently visited boxing friends in New York.

The old saying that lightning never strikes twice in the same place is a fallacy, insofar as Freddie (Red) Cochrane is concerned. The world welterweight champion, knocked out by Rocky Graziano in the tenth round of a non-title match at Madison Square Garden last June, suffered the same fate in a return match with Graziano in the Garden ring, again being knocked out in the tenth round. And just as in the first fight, Cochrane was doing all right for himself up until just before the final heat. Then the roof caved in.

The return bout between Cochrane, the Elizabeth, N. J., redhead, and Graziano, known as the East Side Dead End Kid, attracted the largest gate of the summer season to the Garden, a crowd of 18,071 paying $100,469. This was just under the high mark of the year, $101,982, drawn by Lee Oma and Tami Mauriello last March.

Almost from the opening bell the fight was virtually a repetition of the previous contest. As was the case then, Cochrane again depended on his boxing ability to keep him out of danger and to pile up points while Graziano kept looking for a spot to park his haymaker. In the third stanza he landed a right hand which knocked Cochrane into the ropes. Freddie's knee touched the canvas and Referee Benny Leonard counted one.

But Freddie managed to keep out of trouble during the balance of the round and made Graziano miss repeatedly in the next few heats. And he kept pecking Rocky with long lefts, countered sharply with drives to the body after making Rocky miss. All this helped Cochrane's cause but along about the eighth round it began to appear obvious that Red was starting to run out of steam. Graziano, on the other hand, did not tire at all and was still as fresh and strong when the ninth opened as when the fight started.

Midway in the ninth round, Graziano shot a left hook to Cochrane's jaw. That was the beginning of the end for Cochrane. He landed flat on his back, moved quickly to his knees and wisely took a count of nine. Graziano was quick to take advantage and lashed out with a right that dropped Cochrane for another count of nine. Then, apparently thinking he

had heard the bell sound ending the round, Graziano walked to his corner. By the time Referee Leonard could motion him to continue, the round did end. But that brief respite, plus the minute's rest, did not help Cochrane a great deal. He came out for the tenth obviously hoping to ward off the Graziano blows for another three minutes and thus finish the fight on his feet.

The instant the round opened Graziano went after his man. Three more times Cochrane went down for nine, and each time he arose he seemed a little more wobbly. In Cochrane's corner, Willie Gilzenberg signaled that the round had only a minute to go. But Cochrane couldn't make it. Graziano rifled home another right hand and Cochrane landed on his back, unable to rise. This time Leonard did not bother to count and stopped the fight. The time was 2:37. Cochrane's handlers helped him to his corner and for several minutes he sat on his stool. When finally he was helped out of the ring to his dressing-room he received a tremendous hand from the capacity audience. Cochrane, scaling 145, gave away nine pounds to Graziano.

The six-round semi-final was expected to prove a thriller but though the two fighters tried hard enough their battle failed to excite the fans. This one brought together Lou Valles, 147, New York, and Irving Palefsky, 135, Bronx. Valles won the decision. In another six, Al Seidman, 151½, Scranton, Pa., took the decision from Burl Charity, 153, Youngstown, Ohio. Al LaBarba, 142½, Bronx, registered a knockout over Freddie Addeo, 144½, Brooklyn, in 1:29 of the fourth of another scheduled sixer. Both fighters were on the floor in this one but finally LaBarba finished on top.

A fourth sixer, between Filberto Osario, 121½, Puerto Rico, and Ralph McNeil, 117, Newark, was won by Osario. The four-round opener, between Francisco Colon Garcia, 118, Puerto Rico, and Luis Ortiz, 119, Mexico, was won by Garcia.

As has happened in so many feature events at Madison Square Garden in recent months, the referee again came in for considerable criticism following the headline bout between Artie Levine, Brooklyn middleweight, and George (Sonny) Horne, of Niles, Ohio. The referee on this occasion was Johnny Burns and he stopped the contest after one minute and 49 seconds of the fifth round, because of some cuts over Horne's eyes. Levine weighing 157½ to Horne's 157¼, was thus named the winner in this, his first feature event at the Garden, and it is no reflection on the Brooklyn middleweight's performance to point out that Burns' action seemed premature, especially since he halted the bout against the advice of Dr. William Walker, Commission physician.

The first two rounds were stirring sessions with both fighters landing hard, sharp wallops. Levine clipped the Ohio lad with a series of lefts to the chin, but toward the end of the round, Horne also got in some damaging blows, though Levine finished up the heat with a slight edge. In the second, Horne moved in close and drove several rights to the jaw, evening the score with Levine. During the exciting third round Horne suffered a cut over the left eye. Burns stopped the fight for a few seconds to examine the wound, then ordered the boxers to continue. At the end of the round he called Dr. Walker into the ring and after a close examination Walker advised Burns to let the fight go on. In the fourth Horne definitely outfought Levine, one of his blows, a right to the chin, spinning Levine around completely. For a few moments Levine seemed to be in bad shape and held on.

Levine was himself again, however, when the fifth opened and when another cut developed over Horne's other eye, Levine tried hard to push his advantage. But Horne fought him back, punch for punch. Midway in the round, Burns intervened and stopped the fight. Horne protested but, naturally, it did no good. In the dressing-room he was visited by Dr. Walker who was quick to disclaim responsibility for ending the contest so abruptly. As one indignant fight manager put it: "Referees are not supposed to stop fights because of minor cuts. Seconds get paid for stemming the flow of blood between rounds and Burns should have given Horne's seconds a chance to work on the wounds. Besides, he should have taken the advice of Dr. Walker, instead of acting on his own."

As so often happens when a small crowd turns out, the fight was an exceedingly lively encounter. Mainly because it came on the Labor Day week-end, the Horne-Levine match attracted only 7,192 paid customers, the receipts reaching $21,712, which was the lowest of the year at the Garden. The semi-final was also a thrilling contest, this one bringing together Vinnie Rossano, 151, Brooklyn, and Johnny Lawer, 156, Cleveland. Rossano, a Purple Heart winner as the result of wounds received in Italy, was making his first start since his discharge. He got off to an excellent start, flooring Lawer for a nine count in the first round. Lawer managed to keep going through the balance of the eight rounds, though Rossano was a clear-cut winner. An eye cut also ended the other scheduled eight between Phil Palmer, 141¾, and Vincent La Salva, 145½, Mt. Vernon. La Salva was the victim and the referee refused to let him come out for the fourth. In four-rounders, Frank Kruski, 144½, Hemstead, L. I., defeated Sid Haber, 142½, Brooklyn; Eddie Murphy, 134, Bronx, outpointed Young Griffo, 130½, Newark; and Len Taglia, 149½, won from Julie Cross, 154½, Brooklyn.

Tami Mauriello, Bronx heavyweight and one of the country's top men in his division, gained little prestige as a result of his knockout triumph over Johnny White, of Jersey City, in a feature bout at the Queensboro Arena. This may have been White's fault, of course, because the Jersey heavyweight displayed a vast disinclination to fight, especially after hitting the deck twice in the third round. As a workout for Mauriello it did not amount to much because of the paucity of opposition on the part of White who had enough after 53 seconds of the fourth. Tami weighed an even 200 for this one, White 212.

In the six-rounders on the preliminary program, Henry Johnson, 147, Bronx, outpointed Mayhew Smith, 145, North Carolina; Tony DeRosa, 151, Long Island City, defeated Lee Black, 152, Harlem; and Al Victoria, 138, Bronx, won from Julian Malavez, 139½, Puerto Rico. In four-rounders, Ruby Roberts, 156½, New York, outpointed Georgie Small, 160½, Brooklyn; and Danny Vetrano, 129½, Bronx, scored over Bernie Krashin, 130, Brooklyn.

Substituting for Freddie Flores on short notice, Baudelio Valencia, Mexican middleweight, was able to furnish little opposition for Jerry Fiorello, Brooklyn, in a feature bout at the MacArthur Stadium. Fiorello lost no time going to work on Valencia and had the Mexican so helpless that Referee Pete Hartley called a halt after 1:48 of the third round of a scheduled eight. Both boxers scaled 160.

Tommy Gargano, 144, Brooklyn, needed only 1:46 of the first round to finish off Jack Moore, 149, New York; Steve Curley, 130½, Toronto, halted Marcus McCrea, 132½, Harlem, in 0:57 of the second; and Frank Keith, 144½, Brooklyn, knocked out Johnny King, 148, Harlem, in 0:45 of the first. Morty Klein, 144, New York, outpointed Jimmy Pierce, 143, Vancouver, B.C., in a sixer.

Joey LaMotta, Bronx middleweight and younger brother of Jacob LaMotta, did an effective job in squaring accounts with Jimmy Mills, of Harlem, in a feature bout at Sterling Oval. Mills holds a decision over the younger LaMotta but in the rematch Joey landed a looping right-hand smash to Mills' chin late in the fourth round and that ended the fight. The time was 2:54. The first two stanzas were waged at a blistering pace but in the third LaMotta definitely took the upper hand and brought the contest to a close in the next heat. LaMotta weighed 155 pounds, Mills 147. This match had been postponed for two weeks as a result of illness on the part of LaMotta.

The semi-final six brought together Sam Barudi, 153½, Akron, Ohio, and Hugh Murphy, 161, Bronx, Barudi winning the decision. Bob Miller, 187, Bronx, gained a split decision over James Polk, 171½, Camden, N. J., in another six but the customers did not take kindly to the announcement in favor of Miller. In a six-rounder between Irving Magid, 125¾, Bronx, and Tony Oshiro, 124, Newark, Magid won the award of the officials. Don McLeon, 120½, New York, outpointed Wendel Douglas, 115¾, in a four, and in the opener over the same route, Jay Kinsey, 187½, Jamaica, L. I., outpointed Earl Eppinger, 191, Harlem.

Boxing at the renovated Long Beach Stadium, Freddie Archer, Newark welterweight, won a ten-round decision over Johnny Ricco, of San Francisco, in a feature event. The contest was far from exciting but Archer is reported to have been suffering from boils on his arm. He insisted on going through with the match, however, because the show was being sponsored by the Long Beach Hospital Club. Archer scaled 143½ pounds to Ricco's 142.

In six-round bouts, Marcus Lockman, 155¾, Harlem, won the decision from Ruby Roberts, 162, Harlem; Benny Mays, 118½, Brooklyn, outpointed Tony Oshiro, 121½, Newark; Sam Barudi, 155¾, Akron, won from Andy Faison, 149½, New York. The opening four, between Freddy Yeager, 135, Connecticut, and Lou Suliveres, 135¼, New York, was won by Yeager on a kayo in 1:15 of the final round. The gross receipts were about $6,500.

Billy Graham, the New York youngster who hasn't been beaten in 57 fights, added the latest victory to his string against Johnny Rinaldi, veteran Bronxite, at the Queensboro Arena. Graham, a steady, stand-up boxer, ripped open wide gashes over Rinaldi's left eye and the bout, slated for eight rounds, was halted at 1:15 of the fourth. Graham scaled 137 to his victim's 145.

In other eights Lou Valles, New York, 150, outpointed Bobby Berger, New York, 151, and Sammy Garcia, Boston veteran, 124½, lost the decision to Alphonse Malacara, of Mexico, 132½, at the end of the fifth because he had butted his rival. Tony Del Gatto, Brooklyn, 157½, defeated Sam Barudi, Harlem, 157, in a six, while Bernie Krashin, Brooklyn, 130, outpointed Louis Venizia, Brooklyn, 135½, in a four-rounder.

The gross receipts hit $7,100, another sellout.

At the Sterling Oval in the Bronx the same night Chester Rico, high-ranking Bronx lightweight just out of the Army, made it two in a row since doffing the khaki. He easily walloped Jorge Morelia, of Mexico, for a ten-round decision. Rico encountered some trouble in the early rounds, but battered Morelia with a mid-section massage thereafter and won going away. Rico weighed 137, giving him a pound edge.

In the eight-round semi-final Irving Palefsky, unbeaten Bronx gamester, throttled Baudelio Valencia, Mexico City, 156. Eddie Murphy, former New York City Golden Gloves champion, gained his sixth straight since turning pro. Murphy, scaling 134½, knocked out Lou Prince, Princeton, N. J., in 2:45 of the third of a programmed six.

Results in the fours: Monte Klein, New York, 143, defeated Jack Barker, New York, 142½, and Tony Acededo, New York, 116, stopped Jackie White, New York, 122, in 2:05 of the third.

Relying on a steady body attack, Johnny Finazzo, 164, Baltimore, won an unexpected decision over Marvin Bryant, 163, Dallas, Texas, in a feature eight-round event at the Fort Hamilton Arena. The decision was split, with Referee Frankie Fullam voting for Bryant, five rounds to three, but the two judges cast their ballots for Finazzo. One of the judges, John Potter, gave each fighter four rounds but scored for Finazzo on points. The other judge, Joe Schechter, had it five to three for Finazzo. The Baltimore fighter, subbing for Wilfe Shanks, lost the first and seventh rounds on low punches. The crowd numbered 4,300 who paid $6,187.

The semi-final ended in a knockout with Marty Clark, 215, Brooklyn, the winner over John Napolitano, 185, Brooklyn, in 1:20 of the third round. Leon Johnson, 133½, Harlem, outpointed Jeff Holloway, 135, New York, in six rounds. Another six, between Baudelio Valencia, 157, Mexico, and John Smith, 158, Boston, was won by Valencia on a decision. A third bout over this distance had Lee Black, 152, Harlem, winning from Mario Morelli, 155, Brooklyn. In the opening four, Tony Ferraro, 112, Brooklyn, defeated Patsy Zoccano, 135, on points.

At one time Jimmy Carollo, Corona, L. I., heavyweight, was an outstanding amateur and for a while, after he turned pro, he appeared to be an excellent prospect for high honors. But Carollo now seems to have lost much of his stuff. Opposing Vern Escoe, of Toronto, in a feature match at MacArthur Stadium, Carollo was easily subdued in eight rounds, Verne taking a one-sided decision. The Canadian heavyweight had the upper hand in almost every round despite the fact that, at 185, he gave away 15 pounds to his Long Island foe. A crowd of about 4,000 attended the show.

In another eight-round bout, Pat Giordano, 149, Toronto, outpointed Johnny Ryan, 151, Detroit. A six-round event between Vic Moreno, 139½, Venezuela, and Jimmy Mason, 134¾, New Brunswick, N. J., was won by Moreno on a decision. Burl Charity, of Youngstown, coming back after his defeat several days before at the hands of Al Seidman, halted Harry Durden, of Brooklyn, in 2:14 of the fifth round of a scheduled six. Charity scaled 153, Durden 150¼.

George Small, 158¾, Brooklyn, also registered a kayo, his victim being Joey Robinson, 150½, Passaic, who was stopped in 55 seconds of the second round. A four-rounder between Julie Cross, 154, Brooklyn, and Charley Hilton, 151, Garfield, N. J., was won by Cross.

Continuing to display the finest form of his career, Phil Terranova, former N.B.A. featherweight champion, added another knockout to his recent string of victories when he halted Jean Barriere, of Montreal, in 2:04 of the fourth round of a feature event at Sterling Oval. Just as he had done in his previous fight, when he knocked out Augie Lapara, Terranova used a sharp right to the head to finish off Barriere. The aggressive little Bronxite scaled 130 for the Barriere match, two less than the Canadian.

All but one of the other bouts on the Sterling Oval program ended short of the distance. Only match to last the full route was the four-round opener in which Danny Vetrano, 129½, Bronx, outpointed Louis Rivera, 124½, Puerto Rico. In the scheduled six-round semi-final, Monty Klein, 143, Bronx, finished off Charley Moore, 145, Harlem, in 2:24 of the first. Irving Magid, 126, Bronx, knocked out Joe Neil, 130, Garfield, N. J., in 2:19 of the second; and Leonard Flocco, 112, Bronx, disposed of Bill Commodore, 118½, Brooklyn, in 1:44 of the second.

The largest crowd of the season at the Queensboro Arena, contributing over $9,000 to see the show, watched Billy Graham, undefeated New York lightweight, make short work of Donnie Maes, of Los Angeles, in a scheduled eight-round feature. Graham, weighing 134¼, did so thorough a job on Maes, who scaled 131, that Referee George Walsh had to call a halt after 2:19 of the first round. Graham thereby continued his winning ways and the victory over Maes represented his 59th consecutive contest without a loss.

An interesting and hard-fought semi-final of eight rounds had Milton Kessler, 136½, Coney Island, facing Tommy Mills, 138½, Valley Stream, L. I. The decision went to Kessler. Another scheduled eight-rounder, between Sol Ritchie, 149½, New York, and Antonio Carmona, 144, Puerto Rico, was won by Ritchie. Carmona suffered a cut eye and was unable to come out for the sixth round.

The former amateur star, Eddie Murphy, 135, Bronx, was again impressive in knocking out

Ellie Simley, 137, Harlem, in the second round of a four. A final six-rounder went to Jackie Connelly, 130, Long Island City, with Lou Prince, 128, Princeton, N. J., as his victim.

Campaigning for a return bout with Jacob LaMotta, Georgie Kochan, Akron, Ohio, middleweight, battered Joe Reddick, of Paterson, N. J., into submission in a feature bout at the Queensboro Arena. Reddick was bruised and suffered a cut near his right eye and was not permitted to answer the bell for the fifth round. For a few rounds, though, Reddick made things mighty tough for Kochan, especially in the third stanza when the two middleweights stood toe to toe and slugged things out. But in the fourth, Kochan took definite command of the situation. Kochan weighed 166 to 163½ for Reddick. Gate receipts were $5,808.

The semi-final was a short-lived affair in which Francisco Colon Garcia, 119, Puerto Rico, disposed of Jimmy Allen, 127, Philadelphia, in 49 seconds of the second round. This bout had been slated for six rounds. In other scheduled sixers, Jackie Connelly, 130, Long Island City, defeated Richie Miyoshiri, 126, Hawaii; and Burl Charity, 150, Youngstown, Ohio, defeated Johnny Ricco, 142½, San Francisco. In a four-rounder, Julie Cross, 152, Brooklyn, outpointed Charley Hilton, 154, Philadelphia.

Jake LaMotta made certain there would be no reason for another bout between them by stopping Jose Basora, Puerto Rican middleweight, in the ninth round of their fourth engagement, a bout that took place in Madison Square Garden. For the first time in his career Jake showed "killer instinct," by exhibiting all the ferociousness of a cornered tiger in subduing his man.

A crowd of 14,907 (gross gate $40,238) saw Jake, the 8 to 5 favorite, turn the trick. The 159½-pound New Yorker tore into his 154¼-pound opponent with a vicious two-handed body attack from the start and never let up.

Basora seemed on the verge of a knockout in the sixth and in the seventh was backed into a corner, helpless, as Jake rained blows from all directions without a return. It was a credit to Basora's ruggedness that he managed to stay on his feet. Jake slowed down a trifle in the eighth, waiting for a spot. He seized the opportunity in the ninth and was battering Jose cruelly on the ropes when Referee Johnny Burns started to intervene. At that moment Jake sank a hard left to the pit of the stomach and Jose sank slowly into the referee's arms and to the floor. It wasn't necessary to count.

Aaron Wade, San Francisco middleweight, made a successful Eastern debut in the semi-final, scheduled for six rounds. Opposing Mario Ochoa of Cuba, Wade was returned a knockout victor in 2:41 of the second round when Referee Pete Hartley stepped in to save Ochoa, who was helpless after having been down twice. Wade scaled 161, and Ochoa 160½.

Henry Majcher, Pittsburgh welterweight, finished strong to gain the verdict over Antonio Carmona of Puerto Rico in a lively six-rounder. Majcher scaled 144½, Carmona 145½.

Joey LaMotta, younger brother of the main bout performer, gained the decision over Billy Johnson of Wilmington, N. C., in a six-round fray. The battle was waged at top speed and it held the interest of the spectators all the way. LaMotta weighed 154 pounds, Johnson 157.

In the four-round opener, Archie Devino, 119½, Long Island City, outpointed Frankie Pucci, 116½, Montreal.

In four rounders, Filberto Osario, 122, Puerto Rico, outpointed Tony Oshiro, 125, Newark; Jimmy Rizzo, 137½, Toronto, gained the decision over Lou Silveres, 133, Brooklyn, and Archie Devino, 119½, Long Island City, won on points from Frankie Pucci, 116½, Montreal.

Baby-faced Tony Janiro, the 19-year-old welterweight, came into his own as a top-flight fighter by outpointing Johnny Greco, Montreal's strong boy, in an eight-rounder at Madison Square Garden. What's more, Janiro achieved this success in the toughest of all possible ways. He whipped Greco decisively after having been beaten by Johnny in a prior bout.

Janiro, flashing the form which has earned him the title of "The New Tony Canzoneri," won going away. The referee, Eddie Joseph, gave him five of the eight rounds. The judges, Marty Monroe and Jack Gordon, each gave six rounds to Tony, two to Johnny. It was that one-sided.

The first time Janiro faced Greco in the Garden, some weeks before his winning effort, the Akron, O., youngster fell into the trap of trying to score with one punch. He just didn't go all-out, as he did the second time around. Tony boxed with precision in the return, scoring with combination punches, while Greco missed more frequently than the proverbial rusty door.

Moreover, Janiro, far less experienced than his Dominion rival, was in command throughout. He out-generalled his victim, making the Canadian fight the kind of fight Tony wanted. He never permitted the harder-punching Greco to get set, moving left and right whenever the kid from north of the border was adjusting his sights. Thus, when Greco finally unwound himself, he was away behind.

One of Janiro's best weapons, the uppercut, came in handy many times. Whenever Greco lunged forward with his long hooks to the head or right swings to the body, Tony was ready with an uppercut. He bruised both of Greco's brows and drew blood from his nose.

Janiro, likely to grow heavier with each fight, scaled 142 to Greco's 143¼. The gross receipts of $68,568 were contributed by 16,237.

In the programmed six-rounders Jackie Floyd, Philadelphia, 128, knocked out Harold Gibson, Harlem, 127, in 2:49 of the first; Eddie Compo, New Haven, Conn., 129¾, outpointed Juan Carrerro, Puerto Rico, 135½; Bellesandro Carubia, Harlem, 148½, defeated Pat Giordano, Toronto, 148. Results in the four-rounders: Tony Mancuso, Montreal, 145½, was defeated by Julie Cross, Brooklyn, 152; Joey Carkido, Youngstown, O., 133, scored over Joe Griffo, Newark, N. J., 132¼, and Stanley Sims, Harlem, 146¾, routed Russ Hawkins, Jamaica, L. I., 148.

Pressing his campaign for a return match with Sal Bartolo, National Boxing Association champion to whom he dropped the purple, Phil Terranova, the pint-sized Bronx featherweight, knocked out Augie Lapara, New Orleans youngster, in 1:41 of the first round of a scheduled ten-rounder at the Ft. Hamilton Arena.

Lapara, heralded because of his recent knockout of Lefty LaChance in the same arena, never had a chance. Terranova came out quickly, took a left hook to the head, and hooked in return. The blow landed squarely on Lapara's chin, sending the youngster sprawling. He took a nine count, but arose on wobbly legs. Terranova went after him with the same weapon, a left hook, landing once again. This time Lapara sprawled on his back, his head hitting the canvas as he landed. The count was a mere formality, Lapara being out cold for five full minutes.

Terranova scaled 129, three pounds more than his victim. The gross receipts of $7,280 broke a 20-year record for Ft. Hamilton.

Clarence Wilkerson, the Bronx, 162, outpointed Billy Walker, Portland, Ore., 160½, in the six-round semi-final. In other sixes Sandy Saddler, New York, 125, registered his 22nd knockout in 24 fights by stopping Lou Langley, Harlem, 123, in 2:19 of the first; Colon Garcia, Puerto Rico, 122, halted Tony Oshiro, Newark, N. J., 122, in 1:38 of the fifth, and Al LaBarba, New York, 148, outpointed Leon Kennedy, New York, 147. Danny Ventrano, the Bronx, 127, polished off Jackie White, Harlem, 124, in 2:51 of the first of the programmed four-round opener.

A capacity crowd of more than 4,000 saw Milton Kessler, New York lightweight, finish off Marcel Fournier, of Toronto, in short order at MacArthur Stadium. Kessler, punching with speed and power, needed less than a round to dispose of the Canadian.

The semi-final, scheduled for eight, also ended short of the full distance with Steve Riggio, 145¾, New York, halting Abie Kaufman, 138, Philadelphia, in the seventh. A scheduled six-rounder got only as far as 2:04 of the first, Jim Rickard, 158, Jamaica, triumphing over Tony Del Gatto, 157, Brooklyn. Another six-rounder, between Pat Giordano, 146, Toronto, and Russ Hawkins, 143, Long Island, was won by Giordano on a decision. In the four-round opener, George Baltieri, 137½, Brooklyn, knocked out Louis Venezia, 135, Long Island, in 34 seconds of the fourth round.

It was an unsatisfactory fight which Freddie Schott, Paterson heavyweight (by way of Akron, Ohio) and Freddie Fiducia, Newark, waged at Madison Square Garden. After the first round Schott had little trouble with his veteran opponent, finally knocked him out in 51 seconds of the ninth round of a scheduled ten. Late in the second round Schott dropped Fiducia with a left hook. The bell sounded at the count of six. Thereafter it was strictly one-sided with Fiducia hitting the canvas five more times until the final knockdown in the ninth. Schott, weighing 207¾, and Fiducia, 190, fought before the smallest crowd of the season at the Garden, only 5,437 turning out for this first Monday night event. Receipts were only $15,677. After the fight it was announced that the purses of both Fiducia and Schott were being held up pending an investigation of the fight by the State Athletic Commission on a statement by Fiducia that he had been offered a big bribe to permit Schott to knock him out. In his charge no one associated with Schott was implicated. It was an outsider who made the offer.

Making his second Garden start, Abel Cestac, Argentine heavyweight weighing 218½, turned in a victory over Big Ben Moroz, 285, Philadelphia, in eight rounds. This was also a far from thrilling match. In a second eight-rounder, Tony Riccio, 149½, Bayonne, N. J., outpointed Joe Curcio, 150, Newark, in a hard-fought contest. The series between these two Jerseyites now stands at two victories each, with two draws. Clint Miller, 126, Elizabeth, defeated Frank Franconeri, 131, Bayonne, in a six. In two fours, Frank Kruski, 146½, Hempstead, L. I., defeated Nick Restano, 146½, Newark; and Len Taglia, 149¾, Utica, N. Y., outpointed Julie Cross, 153¼, Brooklyn.

Following right on the heels of the Schott-Fiducia bout at Madison Square Garden, which proved so unsatisfactory, came another contest, this one at the Broadway Arena in Brooklyn, which also brought official action against one of the principals. The Brooklyn contest involved Al Davis, of Brooklyn, and Johnny Jones, of Pittsburgh. After 26 seconds of the sixth round, Referee Frank Fullam halted the contest, disqualified Jones, and awarded the fight to Davis. Fullam claims he did not like the looks of things after Jones went down in the third from a light jab. Just as in the case of Schott-Fiducia, Jones' purse was also held up pending Commission investigation. Davis weighed 153½, Jones 151.

In scheduled sixers, Billy Johnson, 164½, Wilmington, Del., gained a close decision over Baudelio Valencia, 158¾, Mexico; Jimmy White, 174, Staten Island, halted Jimmy Long, 178, Newark, in 2:41 of the fifth; and Sam Barudi, 156, Akron, Ohio, defeated Hugh Murphy, 155½, Harlem. Murphy failed to answer the bell for the sixth. Al Baltieri, 145½, Brooklyn, knocked out Steve Bilko, 144, Sayreville, N. J., in 56 seconds of the fourth round of a scheduled four, while his brother, George Baltieri, 140, knocked out Charley Moore, 144½, Garfield, N. J., in 1:09 of the second.

Nick Moran, Mexican lightweight, made a splendid impression in his initial New York appearance. Facing Ike Williams, N.B.A. lightweight champion, in a ten-round bout at Madison Square Garden, Moran turned in a highly pleasing performance. But it just wasn't good enough to win, Williams gaining the votes of the officials in a close fight. So close, in fact, that two of the officials, Referee Eddie Joseph and Judge Jack Gordon, voted five rounds for each contestant. But Joseph cast his ballot for Williams on points, 9 to 6, while Gordon also turned in a Williams ballot on points, 7 to 5. Judge Marty Monroe voted 6 to 4 for Williams. The fight was exciting throughout, with the only knockdown, however, coming just before the final bell when Williams dropped the Mexican. Moran jumped to his feet instantly, just as the bell clanged ending the contest. Williams scaled 134¾, Moran 138¼. The attendance was 8,119, and the receipts $36,610.

All the six-rounders went the distance. Al LaBarba, 142½, Bronx, again won from Freddie Addeo, 143½, Brooklyn, registering a knockdown in the third; Eddie Compo, 128, New Haven, outpointed Filberto Osario, 123, Puerto Rico; and Lennox Dingle, 146, Philadelphia, won from Sal Richie, 149, New York. In the scheduled fours, Rocco Lescio, Brooklyn, 140, stopped Jimmy Cogman, 135, Newark, in three; Leo Milito, 129¾, halted Patsy Zoccano, 133¼, Montreal, in 1:39 of the first; and Sam Barudi, 148½, Harlem, outpointed Joe Torrens, 148½, New York.

Returning to New York after a brief vacation in his native Mexico, Humberto Zavala, Mexico City lightweight, won the verdict over Jackie Leamus, of the Bronx, in a feature ten-rounder at Sterling Oval. The fight was close all the way and the decision in Zavala's favor was not unanimous. Zavala weighed 142¾, Leamus 133¼. Irving Magid, 125, Bronx, outpointed Louis Long, 119, Harlem, in six rounds; Al Victoria, 137¼, New York, belted out Jimmy Mason, 137½, New Brunswick, N. J., in 2:19 of the fifth; and Leonard Flocco, 107¾, Brooklyn, halted Jim Lewis, 111½, Brooklyn, in 2:17 of the first.

The point system now in effect in New York State helped Tony Pellone, 141, New York, win from Billy Graham, 135½, New York, in a feature ten-rounder at the Queensboro Arena, marking Graham's first defeat in 59 starts. One judge voted for Graham, another for Pellone. But the Referee, George Walsh, had it five and five on rounds, but six to five in Pellone's favor on points. That made it a victory for Pellone, although the decision was not unanimous with the customers either, many of whom thought Graham the winner. The Queensboro show was cut short by rain but in the few other contests staged, Vincent Gigante, 172½, Greenwich Village, defeated Teddy Brown, 170¼, Garfield, N. J., in a six; and Frankie Keith, 143, New York, won from Patsy Zoccano, 141, Montreal, in four.

FROM TRINIDAD, B.W.I.

By RONALD H. PINHEIRO

MAX TWANG presented an attractive boxing card at the Woodbrook Stadium. Heading the card was Bull Gilkes, 154, Port-of-Spain, who scored a popular points decision over Al Carrington, 158, of South Trinidad. Gilkes carried the fight to his heavier opponent all through the ten rounds.

In another ten-rounder, Al Tunney, former lightweight champion of Trinidad, stepped up a class and won a points decision over Gunner Brathwaithe of Barbados. Tunney took the count of eight in the first round, but came back nicely to win the bout. Tunney scaled 140 and Gunner Brathwaithe, 142.

Cocoa Kid Gilkes, 138, brother of Bull Gilkes, made his first appearance as a professional boxer and held Russell O'Brien, 136, Navy Terror, to an eight-round draw.

Kid Basil of Barbados, who also made his first appearance as a paid fighter, won a six-round decision over Al Pooney. Basil weighed 131 pounds and Pooney, 124.

In Sunny California

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ATTENTION!

To any and all of you boxers who have written me during the past year regarding managing your affairs, acting as your booking agent, or developing your talents—kindly write me again. Also, you managers who have written me relative to representing you here on the Coast—kindly repeat the request.

My lack of interest at that time was due to a number of reasons, mostly because I was busy staging weekly shows and operating a gym. Also, my amateur promoting did not allow me to be definitely associated with professional boxing.

The situation is now changed. I have disposed of my arena and closed the gym. The war being over, a number of my boxers will soon be getting out of the Service. Some of them are the most promising youngsters in these parts, and they are desirous of continuing their careers. At one time, I managed the best stable of young fighters in California. I hope to do so again.

To those who may be interested, but know nothing of my reputation as to ability, integrity or character—I suggest that they write either Nat Fleischer, Editor of THE RING; J. M. Genshlea, Sec., State Athletic Commission, Sacramento, Calif., or any of the Los Angeles Boxing Promoters or Sports Editors.

LEST I FORGET: Larry Cisneros, Gus Wilson's scrappy welterweight, is back home after three years in the Army, most of which was spent in Africa. Larry looks fit and is anxious to get back in ring action. . . . Little Tiger Wade and Charley Burley, both now boxing in the East, renewed their feud at Pittsburgh, with Burley again winning. . . . 'Tis said that Barney Ross received fifty grand for the movie rights to his life story. The casting of John Garfield as Ross is perfect. . . . Neva Esparza is doing very well on his eastern invasion. . . . Quite a surprise, our Joe Barnum beating Johnny Bratton in Chicago. I have seen Bratton in action and would pick him to win handily over Joe. Barnum must have fought over his head, and I hope he continues to do so. . . . Chito Hernandez, Los Angeles welterweight, was killed in a brawl. . . . Larry Bolvin, Providence, R. I., featherweight, states that he is to make his home in Los Angeles. Johnny Francis has purchased his contract. . . . Eddie Hudson defeated Carlos Malacara in a 10-rounder at Las Vegas, Nev. . . .

How come Jimmy Doyle, classy Los Angeles welter, isn't getting one of these money shots in Madison Square Garden? His win over Tommy Bell rates him such a match. . . . Jack Chase is back under Johnny Kelloff, and hopes to get in the win column again. . . . Richie Fusilier, former So. Calif. amateur featherweight champ, is said to be on his way home. Richie, a Sergeant in the Army, was wounded in Germany, but is okeh now and will probably resume his boxing. . . . Trini Ortiz, bantam of El Centro, was accidentally shot by his brother, Manuel, the champion, in their home. He will recover. . . . Baby Gonzales made a decided hit in New York City by defeating Pedro Firpo. Gus Wilson's boys are doing all right in their eastern bouts, and Genial Gus will be liked wherever he goes.

Whitey Knerr, crowd-pleasing amateur middleweight of Los Angeles, was killed in action in the South Pacific. Whitey, who had been in the Navy for the past two years, was the second member of this writer's stable to be killed in action. . . . Lige Drew, clever Negro welterweight, has returned to Los Angeles from the east, where he has been boxing for the past year. . . . Jack Dempsey is still the big thrill of American boxing fans. The ovations accorded his introductions at local fight clubs are thunderous. The former champ, still a Comdr. of the Coast Guard, is stationed at Long Beach, just outside Los Angeles. . . . Watson Jones won over John Donnelly in a bout at Juarez, Mexico. . . . Matchmaker Babe McCoy took off fifty pounds in six weeks by dieting.

THE MAIL BOX

H. Chandler, Olivia, Minn.—Am sending you the record you requested. Subscribe to THE RING, so as to get all the Calif. fight results.

Tony Rovelli, Pittsburgh, Pa.—Rocco Luciano is boxing out of Fresno. He is under contract to Gene Hiularis, Watsonville, Calif.

Dick Leverett, Houston, Tex.—Yes, that was me. I boxed for 7 years, two as an amateur, five as a pro. Sorry, I cannot run your copy. Why don't you place an add in THE RING?

Sgt. David Bloch, Randolph Field, Tex.—Louie Flyer can be reached at Main Street Gym, 321 South Main St., L. A. Jack Davidow, same address, can give you the info on Rudy Oden. Their records were not in the late RING Record Book because both had retired.

Joe Garcia, Denver, Colo.—Yes, Sgt. Bobby Jackson is really the Romero you mention.

Wm. Albright, Spokane, Wash.—I cannot agree with you. Joey Dolan was not generally recognized as Pacific Coast champion. I know of at least six featherweights out here who can beat him.

M. A. K., Tuscaloosa, Ala.—Oh, lady, you seek too much info. Space forbids. What you need is a copy of THE RING Record Book. However, here is some of it: Rocky Graziano, age—23, height—5 ft. 7; Sal Bartolo is 27; Jake LaMotta, age—24, height—5 ft. 8.

E. N. C., Albuquerque, N. M.—Do not know real reason for Art Aragon being inactive. Yes, he is still in Los Angeles.

R. M. Stringer, Reno, Nev.—I do not believe the Commission sanctioned the Robleto-Romero go as for the state title. It was probably only the promoter's idea. I agree with you that either Olivera or Castillo could easily whip both on the same night.

Sgt. Tony William, Orlando, Fla.—I recall the name, but it was too long ago for me to get the info you seek.

C. H. Brennan, Minneapolis, Minn.—Yes, I am the "Spider" Winkler you knew of. That was a long time ago. Thanks for compliment. Yes, I agree with you regarding Jackie Graves. He is good.

D. A. R., San Diego, Calif.—You are right about the inconsistency of the weights, but your criticism is misdirected. It isn't the lying of the boxers. And I am merely reporting the weights as they are released, not what I may really know of them.

Cpl. John Russell, Germany—Yes, I guess THE RING does go just about everywhere our Service men see action. Thanks for the comps.

This writer's address is Harry E. Winkler, 1231 N. June St., Hollywood 38, Calif.

IN SAN FRANCISCO RINGS

By ROBERT VALLI

BILLY HARRISON, hard-hitting local Negro, scored an impressive win over Chino Rodriguez, awkwardly clever Mexican, in ten rounds at the Civic Auditorium. This was a rematch, the first bout going to Rodriguez. Chino hit the deck twice, but more from shoves than punches. Weights were: Billy, 147; Chino, 145½.

In the semi-final, also a tenner, Alejandro Vega, Mexican crowd-pleaser, was rather lucky to get a draw with Don Lee, hard-fighting brother of Glenn, in a fast bout. There were no knockdowns. Weights were: Vega, 146½; Lee, 149½.

In the prelims: Tiger Burns, 137½, won a close, hard-fought four over Lester Johnson, 138. Al McDonald, 157, dropped Ernie Woods, 156, twice in the early rounds, but was felled for the full count in the third from a hard right to the jaw.

Hard-hitting Johnny Haynes, Los Angeles heavyweight, belted out Al Ware, big Oaklander, in 2:40 of the first round at the Oakland Auditorium. This was Haynes' fourth kayo win over Ware, and by now Al should be convinced his Negro foe is the better man.

With 20 or more seconds left in the first round, Haynes put all his weight and power behind a right uppercut. The blow caught Ware flush on the jaw as he attempted to duck. The latter's feet came off the canvas and he flew through the ropes and landed on the lap of Danny Jackson, one of his handlers. Ware was knocked cold and didn't revive for more than two minutes. Haynes scaled 214, Ware 206. House gross was $6,409.

In the semi-final, Jack Hannon Porter, 178-pound up-and-coming Negro lad, punched out an eight-round win over Tiger Sheppard, Los Angeles heavy, in a one-sided bout. Tiger's left eye was badly cut.

Pete Lakovich, 191, scored an easy 36-second kayo over Carlton Perry, 200, in the first.

Tommy Groh, 178, poured loads of leather to defeat Jackie Flood, 188, in four.

In the opener, Jerry Brown, 167, edged Tony Pedro, 158, in four fast rounds.

Charley Catos, vastly improving Oakland middleweight, belted out a ten-round decision over Chino Rodriquez, who was making his second main-go appearance in five days at 'Frisco. This bout took place at the little National Hall.

Catos' best rounds were the seventh and tenth. Catos scaled 157, ten pounds heavier than Rodriquez.

In the semi-windup, Tiny Lee, 270-pound heavyweight, flattened Frank Estrada, Mexican veteran, in the first round of a sixer. Lee ran all over his foe before the latter folded. The battle lasted 50 seconds. Lee weighed 270, Estrada 225.

The fours follow: Versie Watson, 153, upset Tommy Cello's hard-hitting Henry Anderson, 153, in four fast scrapping sessions. Major Kagle, 165, and Percy Butler, 175, battled to a fast draw.

Dick Lee, hard-belting welterweight, slugged his way to a kayo win over Mickey Gimmell, Tommy Cello's fine lad, in two rounds at the San Jose Civic Auditorium. Lee put Gimmell down twice in the second round before finishing him in the next round.

In the semi-windup, Buster Peakes, 157, defeated Henry Anderson, 153, in a fast slugging contest. Al McDonald, 157, defeated Frankie Rao, 153, in four. In the opener, Jerry Brown, 169, knocked out Johnny Roland, 168, in four.

Buddy Millard, fast-stepping clever heavyweight, pounded out a dull ten-round decision over Alf (Big Boy) Brown, Detroit giant, in the feature at the Oakland Auditorium. Weights were: Millard 185, Brown 225.

In the semi-final, Jack Hannon Porter, fast-coming Oakland heavy, added another win to his unbeaten record by stopping Steve Ludman, bald Los Angeles heavy, in five rounds. Porter shellacked his opponent pretty badly before the referee called a halt. Weights were: Porter 189, Ludman 191.

In the sixer, Pete Lakovich, Fresno slugger, was extended to lick Al Gimmons of southern California. Being held to six rounds helped Pete plenty. He learned to mix his attack and it won't be long before he gets his second main-event chance.

In another sixer, Douglas Ellison, 181, Oakland Negro, surprised many by flattening Mat Jiminez, 175, Hayward, in one round. A right to the jaw was the kayo blow. After the bout Jiminez announced his retirement from the ring.

In the opener, Paul Jackson, Northwest heavyweight, scored a big upset by stopping Billy Gilbert, 232, in two rounds. Jackson, who looks very good, weighed 211.

Charley O'Kelly, Vallejo Negro, rallied in the latter rounds to grab a draw with Ross Romero, Livermore welterweight, in ten rounds at National Hall.

In the semi-final, Leroy Bolden, Negro light-heavyweight, surprised by subbing and by kayoing Tommy Groh, Horace Mann's fast-coming boy, in four rounds. It was a slugging duel, with the more experienced Bolden proving a little the better.

Other results: Major Kagle and Percy Butler battled to a hard, fast draw. Jerry Brown defeated Henry Christian, light-heavyweights, in four. Joe Borjon, lightweight, decisioned Sam Kalikini in four.

That Irish Blockbuster did it again! Of course, that means Fitzie Fitzpatrick, the kayo artist, scored another of his famous one-round knockouts. He turned his latest in Frisco's Civic Auditorium at the expense of Sgt. Gaston Miller, Los Angeles service lad, in 2:03.

The two boys sparred for just one minute, then they set to work. Miller got across two rights at Fitzie, but the Mick kept on coming, trying to corner Miller. Gaston landed a nice left to the body and then Fitzie opened up a barrage of blows, caught his opponent solidly and rocked him from stem to stern. Then Fitzpatrick got across his final punch, a left just in front of Miller's ear, and the latter went out.

Fitzie now has ten first-round kayoes to his credit.

In the semi-final, Paul Jackson, 208½, outfought Wee Willie Williams, 183, in six rounds. Jackson, a newcomer, looks good and didn't have much trouble beating Williams.

Tony Bosnich, discharged local heavyweight, returned to the ring and looked very good flattening Calvin Johnson, 169, in less than a round. Bosnich scaled 179.

Jimmy Boggs, 189½, looked very good stopping Henry Anderson, 185, in three rounds. Anderson was down in the first, and twice in the third, before the referee halted the encounter.

In the opener, Johnny Reardon, 165, returned to the ring and went to a fast draw with Jerry Brown, 168, in four. Reardon is the ol' vet who fought under the name of Dick Foster.

Chester Slider, flashy Fresnoan, won the "rubber" match from Paul Lewis, Oakland gamester, in the sensational scrap before a crowd that paid $7,812 at the Oakland Auditorium.

The boys went at it hammer-and-tongs throughout the full ten sessions with Slider having a good edge at the finish. Lewis went to the post a slight favorite, but ring idleness injured his chances. In the ninth and tenth, Slider had Lewis in wobbly condition, but couldn't deck him.

Twice during the fight the boys fought after the bell to the wild cheers of the fans.

Referee Toby Irwin stated it was one of the best bouts he's refereed in a long time.

Weights were: Slider 147½, Lewis 153½.

In the semi-windup, Walter (Cabey) Lewis, Cuban Negro and one of the many fighting (Cabey) Lewis boys, made his Coast debut a success by stopping Abel Lucero, Fresno lightweight, in the eighth and final round. The boys went through some very good and fast rounds, until Lucero was dropped and stopped.

In the sixer, Benny Colla, fast-coming lightweight, kayoed Bucky O'Connor, Fresno boy, in three rounds. So badly injured was O'Connor that he was taken to the hospital. Colla gave him a bad going over.

In the opener, Boykin Bourgoise, Negro lightweight, decisioned Nat Husky, Negro sailor, who was making his pro debut.

Harold Blackshear, 203, old Negro veteran, thumped Tiger Sheppard, 179, Texas heavyweight, so severely for three rounds that Referee Frankie Brown had to call a halt in the main-go fought at National Hall.

Sheppard received a cut above his eye and was badly pasted about the body. Harold proved he can still dish it out and take some, too.

The other bouts, all fours, follow: Sammy Hughes, 160, newcomer, defeated Speedy Cannon, 152; Joe Borjon, 126, knocked out Al Rodriquez, 126, in the first round; Billy Carlisle, 139, finished

Dell Williams, 135, in the second; Syls Smoke, 136, flattened Sam Kilikirai, 142, in four.

Earl Turner, Richmond Negro sensation, returned to the ring after an absence of a year and a half and scored a sixth-round kayo over Billy Harrison, Frisco hard hitter, in a scheduled ten-round main-go at the Oakland Auditorium. But the manner in which Turner fought to score the win was proof that he's still plenty good.

Harrison started the fireworks by flooring Earl twice in the third. On both knockdowns the latter made it to his feet at nine, very glossy-eyed. It looked as if Turner was a victim of a big upset. However, the Richmond Negro managed to outbox the Frisco boy in the fourth, but again in the fifth he ran into Harrison's murderous haymaker and was canvassed.

It looked like a sure victory for Billy. All he had to do was last out the ten rounds. However, he failed to last the sixth. In this surprise round, Turner put his foe down with a hook to the temple. Billy got up fast, but it was evident he was hurt. Harrison didn't think so. He jumped at Turner, started slugging, and soon Earl was down, but he arose and battled the former to the ropes where he again floored Billy—this time for keeps. What a last round! What a fight!

Weights were: Turner 146, Harrison 149.

Prelims: Lincoln Stanley, 149, stopped Dodo Woods, 147½, in six rounds. This was an upset. Stanley looked good winning. Paul Jackson, 212, defeated Doug Ellison, 182, in six rounds. Jackson's southpaw style bewildered Ellison throughout. Silent Escobar, 170, halted Jerry Brown, 168, in the opening round. Jimmy Boggs, 162, halted Johnny Roland, 168, in the second. Keep your eye on Boggs; he's coming.

SHORT JABS—The amateurs took over at Civic Auditorium for a two-night Diamond Belt tournament during the past month. As always, the action was fast and furious and knockouts came by the bunch. The outstanding contest of the tourney was between Rudolfo Salazar and Johnny Gonzales, two top simon-pures, to determine the lightweight championship, which the latter won. Both boys are outstanding scrappers, and they should go far in the boxing world. Willie Clemmons, Negro, took the senior class heavyweight title by licking Frank Berrios, ex-Golden Gloves champ . . . . The tournament was again ably handled by Eddie Muller, top fistic scribe on the Coast . . . . Leroy Wade, one of 'Frisco's three fighting Wade brothers, is now in the Army. During the past month he was home on furlough from Camp Crowder, Mo., where he is middleweight and light-heavyweight champion. Wade was in good shape and he took on a few fights while here.

Jackie Ryan, local Irish belter, has been sidelined due to a weakened condition. Jackie previously weighed 152, but dropped to 144 because of illness, and now he can't seem to regain the lost weight . . . . However, he'll be back in action soon . . . . Mario Spampinato, well-liked manager and trainer, has a new heavy in Sammy Martin, who scales 190. Mario is high on his new find, even though he has never fought amateur or pro . . . . Johnny Rodgers, popular manager of Lloyd Marshall, is bringing Berry Wright, Cleveland welter, to the Coast soon . . . . Jimmy Boggs, Harry Fine's newest middleweight, is a fast boy. Boggs is unbeaten in three matches and shows oodles of color and class. He punches very hard and loves to mix it. Watch for that name—Jimmy Boggs.

Lorenzo Safora, Cuban bantam, is back in the States and will be ready for action in the near future. As before, Harry Fine will handle him in his bouts . . . . Johnny Munro, popular Oakland fight manager, is back from the Merchant Marine and now has a young heavy named Carl Samuelson. Samuelson scales 247 pounds and is six feet, five inches in height. What a fight it would be if he tied up with Tiny Lee, Leo Hill's big giant.

Last-minute results as we type this follow: Oakland Auditorium: Oakland Billy Smith stopped Kenny Watkins in 2 (bout for California State light-heavyweight title).

San Francisco: Luis Castillo and Tony Olivera battled to a fast draw, 15 (bout for California State bantamweight title).

California boxers in their bouts out of this area are: Paulie Peters T.K.O.'ed Cecil Hudson in nine at Los Angeles Olympic. Bobby Yeager defeated Ray Salas in ten at Hollywood Legion Stadium. Eddie Hudson K.O.'ed Raoul Zenit Cruz in six at Las Vegas. Charley Burley defeated Aaron Little Tiger Wade in ten at Pittsburgh. Aaron Tiger Wade stopped Mario Rio Ochoa in two of semi at Madison Square Garden. Bobby Zander defeated Tiger Jack Fox in 12 at Spokane.

See you again.

KANSAS CITY AND VICINITY

By JUANITA YEARGAIN

RAY SPURLOCK, colorful Kansas City welterweight, used his terrific southpaw punch to good advantage to win a close bout from Duke Abrams of Lincoln Army Air Field, Lincoln, Neb., at Memorial Hall, Kansas City, Kan., Sept. 3. At the end of eight rounds, Spurlock held a two-point margin over his tough adversary.

The blond Kansas Cityan rocked Abrams with terrific lefts in the third and had the Negro boxer holding on. Then in the final heat, Spurlock rallied beautifully to win the round and the bout.

It was the second meeting between these two willing mixers and it marked two close verdicts in succession for the Kansas Cityan.

Frankie Rivera, after being shaded in the opening round, was all business in the second stanza and scored his fourth professional victory by knocking out Tony Calato, New Orleans. Shortly before the final count Rivera had Calato on the floor for a short toll.

Rivera weighed 115½ while Calato tipped the beam at 119.

Bo Davis, 127½ pound coach of the Gateway Athletic club, stopped Maxie Docusen's long winning streak by gaining the newspaper decision over the New Orleans boy. The tally sheet showed Davis' margin was 31 to 29. Docusen weighed 123½.

Pvt. Charles Green, 160-pounder from Geneva, Neb., made quick disposition of Perry Palmtag, his much taller opponent, by scoring a clean K.O. in 1:22 of the first round over the Omaha fighter. A right to the jaw concluded the scrap.

The fights were held by Tom McHugh, Kansas City promoter, under the auspices of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Walter Bates was referee.

This writer's amateur boxing team, representing Topeka, competed in a ten-round event before a packed house in Hutchinson, Kansas, August 22nd. Promoter Orval McCain of Hutchinson provided Southwest fight fans with probably the most interesting boxing program of several years. Topeka mittmen were matched against Hutchinson Naval Air Base fighters and Golden Glovers from that section.

Sgt. "Red" Nicholson is using his Golden Gloves experience to good advantage in the Army. He has won all his fights so far and will attempt to snag the lightweight title at Chanute Field this month. Cpl. L. Hustadoes is coaching Nicholson.

Lt. "Vic" Bailey, a former flyweight champion from Coffeyville, Kansas, is in Saipan. He writes that he reads THE RING every month.

Jack Heenan, light-heavyweight, also from Coffeyville, is boxing in the South Pacific where he is stationed with the U. S. Army.

Leo N. Rosales, boxing coach from Independence, Kans., is grooming his amateur team for the fall and winter competition in this section.

Ali Tu Tamen, Negro wrestler, who thrilled many Midwest ring audiences with his outstanding mat maneuvers, received the Purple Heart and Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in action under fire in Germany. He is recovering from serious wounds received in action, at an Army hospital in Portland, Ore.

Dynamite Joe Cox, well-known professional wrestler, died in the government hospital at Wadsworth, Kan., August 31. A veteran of both World Wars, the popular ringman was one of the best liked wrestlers in the game and had many friends in the Midwest.

Bob Herman, the Wrestling Engineer, and one of this section's biggest drawing cards, has returned from India and will be seen shortly in Midwest wrestling circles. In 1943, Herman was chosen as General Electric's turbo supercharger expert on the new B-29 project and helped ready the huge superfortresses for their historic raids over enemy territory.

Wrestling is drawing capacity houses in Kansas City, Kan., under the promotion of George Simpson, Wichita, with Billy Atkinson promoting and in Topeka under this writer's promotion. Other towns to open this month will be Salina, Hutchinson, St. Joseph and Great Bend.

Wrestlers currently headlining mat programs here are Orville Brown, MWA champion; Jerry Meeker, Don McIntyre, Chico Salzar, Ray Eckert, Abe Yourist, Larry Tillman, Ed Virag, Big Ben Morgan, Hans and Otto Schnabel, Stanley Mayslack, Ken Fenlon, Billy Bartush and others.

News of the ring is welcome and will be printed as space permits. Address this correspondent at: 710 Monroe, Topeka, Kan.

IOWA, NEBRASKA AND SOUTH DAKOTA SPARKS

By BILL HAWKINS

DES MOINES, IA.—A boxing group, organized by Mid-Western promoters, has entered the postwar boxing picture, when plans were announced for bringing Bruce Woodcock, British heavyweight boxer, to the United States for a series of boxing matches. The well known Iowa boxing promoter, Pinkie George, executive secretary of the group, revealed the formation of the new club, to be known as the Heart of America Sports Enterprises, by promoters in Minneapolis, Kansas City, Chicago, Sioux Falls, Omaha, Wichita, Sioux City, Des Moines and other large boxing centers in the Mid-West. The purpose of the organization is to give more strength to Mid-Western promoters so they can bid for talent which is expected to develop now since the war is over.

Sioux City—S/Sgt. Bob Morley, former Sioux City Golden Gloves amateur boxing champion, is doing right well with the boxing sport with the Pacific Special Service Command on Saipan. Morley has been coaching boxing for more than a year since his arrival at the base. He has also been promoting shows, and has coached his Army team to a number of championships. He took a team of boxers to Iwo Jima and promoted the first boxing cards ever presented on that island. On the Iwo Jima shows Capt. James J. Braddock, former world's heavyweight champion, acted as third man for the bouts. More than 7,000 men of the armed forces witnessed the bouts. Morley says in recent letters that Saipan is truly "the Madison Square Garden of the Pacific."

Remember our address is 1900 Wall Street, and mail for this spot will reach me at that address. The writer would like to hear from boxers and managers who are interested in showing their wares throughout the Middle West.

Toronto, Ia.—Last spring some of the citizens of this town formed a Farmer Burns Club, named for the famous world champion wrestler, who is buried in the cemetery here.

They launched a campaign for funds to construct a memorial in his honor. The original plan was to make it a "living memorial" in the form of public playgrounds to be named for Farmer Burns, but when insufficient funds were raised the plan was changed and a monument was purchased instead.

LAST-MINUTE SPARKS—Word from Harry Eagles, St. Louis boxing promoter, informs us that his cards are drawing large crowds, and he would like to hear from boxers from all sections of the country . . . . During the past few weeks, we have made tours of northwest Iowa and the Lake region and we are glad to inform our readers that the fistic sport in the smaller ports will soon come to life, just as soon as promoters can get the talent . . . . The new office of the Des Moines Sports Enterprises and Amusement Company is at the Des Moines Coliseum . . . . Thanks to Robert Whitmore for your nice letter . . . and thanks to Johnny Ferrera . . . . Be sure and have your news in our hands by the fifth of each month.

BOXING IN MANILA

By SGT. CHARLES LESEMANN

YOUNG DUMAGUILAS of Gagalangin scored an upset win when he beat P. C. C. Boy at Manila Square Garden. P. C. C. Boy had been winning regularly until he met Dumaguilas. Jimmy Brisco, hard-punching Negro welterweight from Washington, D. C., was awarded a technical knockout over Jimmy Eco Villaneuva when the Filipino fighter hurt his hand and could not come out for the second round. Had the fight lasted, it would have been a give-and-take battle, because the Filipino landed some solid blows before he hurt his hand, and undoubtedly he would have rated a good chance against Brisco. Brisco is one of several American fighters stationed in Manila with U. S. Army troops.

In one of the outstanding summer attractions at Manila Square Garden, Speed Cabanela, featherweight champion of the Philippines, won a close ten-rounder from Little Paras. Nicky Wan was scheduled to meet the American light-heavyweight, Gunboat Davis, in a return match. Davis had previously stopped Wan in seven rounds.

Light-heavyweight Champion Gus Lesnevich was a visitor in Manila when he accompanied a boxing team from Leyte and refereed several bouts at Rizal Stadium. The Base X boxers, representing the Manila area, won over the Leyte visitors in a team match. Frank Campbell, Columbus, O., Negro welterweight, scored a technical knockout over Bobby Holderfield, former contestant in the National A.A.U. Golden Gloves. Nearly 10,000 service men and women watched the fights, which were refereed by Lesnevich. Lesnevich, who is a chief petty officer in the Coast Guard, has been directing service athletic programs at Samar, Leyte. Lesnevich came to the Philippines not long after General Douglas MacArthur's forces invaded.

Dapper Al Alcante, a Filipino welterweight, who boxed Manuel Quintera, as well as other good welters and middleweights in the States, is in the night club business in Manila. Al also referees the boxing bouts at Manila Square Garden.

Now that the war is over, Speed Cabanela, bantamweight and featherweight champion of the Philippines, hopes that he will be able to get commercial transportation to visit the United States. Cabanela wants to box in American rings. Star Misamis and Johnny Cinto are other Filipino fighters who might accompany him.

IN CHICAGO
With GENE ENGEL

BOXING here in the Windy City is in the doldrums, so far as fight programs of national importance are concerned. Only two clubs, both of a weekly variety, provided what stimulus there was in the offing. Yet, before the summer season was half over the White City organization folded up.

Now only the Marigold organization—the year-in-and-year-out club, can be depended upon to furnish the Chicago metropolis with its fights.

The White City club scheduled its fourth and last venture with Charley Polk, a prelim light-heavy, scoring a seventh-round knockout over Luther Brent. At intervals Brent made a fight of it, but faltered as the rounds went by, and Polk sensing the "kill," finished Brent in a hurry.

Bobby McQuillan, veteran welterweight, scored a K.O. over Bert White in round one. Peter Jackson stopped Douglas Jordan in one round. Sammy Williams kayoed Johnny Rhodes, and Bernard Paige, '45 Golden Gloves lightweight champion, stopped Jimmy Lincoln in three rounds. Yep, the fans went home early and White City went back into hibernation again.

Johnny Bratton, classy Chicago lightweight, went over to Milwaukee, and in the opening round floored Dave Castilloux, Canadian lightweight and welterweight champ, for a nine-count. From then on Bratton must have thought he was making his way on a tractor and a bicycle going backwards, for he was no more in the mood to fight than the man in the moon. He finished up a loser. Bratton had his payday and the fans were left holding the bag.

On the Bratton vs. Castilloux card, Robert Satterfield, hard-punching Chicago light-heavyweight, smashed Veci Van to the canvas for the "count" in round one. Artie Brown, Chicago welterweight, and Bennie Droll, Peoria, fought to a standstill. Stanley Jordan, Milwaukee welter, won over diminutive Jerry Pittro, Chicago, in six rounds, and Brown and Droll slammed away for eight rounds.

George "Sugar" Costner, Cincinnati welterweight now making Evanston his home, had to fight all the way before he gained the laurels over aging but capable Robert Fowler in ten rounds. During the mixing of the first three rounds, Fowler, pint-sized welter, standing 5 feet six inches to Costner's towering 6 feet, landed several left-hooks to the body and jaw to offset Costner's perpetual left and lightning-like rights.

Only in round six was the "Sugar" able to connect for a knockdown with a right to the chops for a one-count.

Herschel Joiner, a headliner a few years ago, hammered Bishop Murphy into submission in three rounds—middleweights.

Bobby Nichols, stablemate of Joiner's, both from the "Crescent City," won over Al Jackson; Ted Christie, veteran N.Y.C. featherweight, won on a technical knockout over Pedro Nieto, Bay City, Mich.; Tim Dalton made his pro debut, scoring over ever-pleasing Jimmy Martin, Lorenzo Loving's protege.

Ted Newsome, Gary light-heavy, opened the fight show at the Marigold against Billy Sullivan, a Negro, and Sullivan scored a three-round technical kayo.

Bobby O'Dowd, a pleasing pug himself a decade ago, since gaining his honorable discharge from the fighting Marines, has been appointed matchmaker for a successful boxing club in San Diego, Cal.—Good luck, Bobby, and I speak for a host of your Chicago friends.

Joey Barnum, rugged California product and no clown in any sense of his name, won a spirited eight-round encounter from Gene Spencer, experienced South Chicago lightweight.

In three of the first four rounds, Barnum slugged to the body incessantly, with the fourth even. Spencer finally found the range in round five, connecting with jabs and several straight-right-hand shots that had telling effect. Barnum renewed his attack from the sixth on and Spencer was constantly in trouble.

Gene Roberts, Danville, Ill., featherweight, emerged with his ninth consecutive knockout success when he put away Jim Phillips of Muskegon, Mich., in round one. Dan Robinson substituted for Billy Davis of Detroit. Robinson won four out of the five rounds from Willie Edmonds, Muskegon, Mich., but every one was hotly contested. They are welterweights.

Bernard Paige, southpaw lightweight phantom, cut down the stalk of Kandy Kane, gaining a three-round technical kayo. Three knockdowns, followed by a cut over Kandy's eye, prompted the arbiter to halt activities.

Harold Thomas, Detroit, Mich., 165-pounder, threw one hefty right-hand wallop and knocked Douglas Jordon, Chicago Negro 165-pounder, out in the first at Marigold Gardens.

Colion Chaney, Indianapolis, Ind., 190-pounder, opposed and defeated the much-heralded Clayton Worlds in 10 rounds.

On that same card, Ted Christie, N.Y.C. veteran featherweight, stowed away Herman Mills in but two rounds.

Clayton Worlds, Chicago Negro, towering 6 feet 4 inches, won convincingly over fast-stepping Clarence Brown, fellow Negro Chicagoan, in Indianapolis. This was also a ten-round affair.

Bobby Berger, who did considerable fighting here in the Windy City, is doing his fisticuffing out in the East. One of his latest matches found Bobby the loser to Dick Costa, welter, at Brooklyn, N. Y., in an eight-rounder.

Chuck Hunter, Cleveland, O., welterweight, outgeneraled Bill Parsons, Danville, Ill., 142¾-pounder, in a spirited eight-round combat. The officials awarded Hunter the unanimous verdict at the Marigold Gardens Arena.

In the six-round semi-windup Bennie Droll, Peoria middleweight, won a convincing argument from Mike Sopko, East Chicago 159-pound puncher. Droll, who lacks class, but is ever swarming all over his opponent, didn't give Sopko much of an opportunity to use his wicked right.

Tony Sartino, newcomer from Rockford, Ill., weighing 161 pounds, caught Harold Thomas, Detroit middleweight, surging forward and plastered the Motor City pug with a terrific right-hand blast, flooring Thomas for a nine-count. When Thomas arose he was out on his feet and the referee promptly halted proceedings in the second heat.

Ray Carter, Chicago Negro 131-pounder, after having a commanding lead at the end of three of the scheduled four rounds with Jimmy Martin, fellow Negro 135-pounder, also from the South Side, came back in the fourth and final chapter and trounced Carter. Carter was barely able to finish the round, but he did. However, Martin's photo finish gave him the victory.

Herman Mills, Chicago Negro 135-pounder, scored a two-round kayo over Paul Cook, Peoria 128-pounder, in an uninteresting bout, and Leroy Scales, Chicago Negro 169-pounder, drew with his lanky adversary, Willie Adel of Cleveland, O., at the same weight.

Attention: Boxers receiving their honorable discharge will do well to contact Gene Engel, 2121 East 68th Street, Chicago, Ill., for a continuation of your professional careers. Am only interested in fighters who are determined to reach the top in their respective divisions. If possible, send me your photo, a brief resume of your boxing career, stating number of fights engaged in, opponents and the decisions involved.

PORTLAND, OREGON, BOXING NOTES
By JACK McCALLUM

JOE KAHUT, 180, came through with another win when he knocked out "Moose" Kennedy, 196, in the fifth round of Joe Waterman's card in the Portland Auditorium. The big Negro, floored three times with terrific punches, was dead game and never stopped trying to put over his deadly right-hand wallop. Gross receipts, $11,753.

Sgt. "Tex" Salkeld will soon be out of the Army and will take charge of the Mel Roberts Boxing Club, which has been run successfully for the past three years by Joe Waterman. What Waterman will do is a question, but his friends believe that Joe will stay in the boxing game in some capacity.

"Tiger" Jack Fox didn't stay retired very long. Fox made another comeback and gave Harold Blackshear quite a shellacking at Spokane, winning a ten-round decision. Receipts about $3,100 gross.

"Snooks" Lacey, 129, lost a mooted decision to Johnny Suarez, 135, but the clever little Negro won a host of new friends by his great fight. Many fans thought Lacey deserved at least a draw. The show was almost called off by the last minute illness of Roy Miller of Kansas City, who was to have fought Frankie Ogg in the main event. Suarez-Lacey was the sub main event and drew $3,100 gross.

At Spokane on Labor Day, "Tiger" Jack Fox took another beating from the sturdy fists of young Bobby Zander. The aged Negro ex-champion was on the verge of a knockout in the second round, but rallied to last the route, losing the decision at the end of 12 rounds. The battle was fought in the rain, which kept the Gonzaga Stadium crowd to about an $8,000 gross gate.

Duane Hoag, featherweight of Wichita, Kans., is now fighting in the Pacific Northwest. Hoag defeated Johnny Archer at Portland and won in a hectic six-rounder from Benny Jerome on the Zander-Fox card at Spokane.

K.O. Tucker of Cave Junction, Ore., made his big city debut when he lost to Gene Johnson at Portland. Tucker floored Johnson three times in the first round, but the young Negro came back with a pair of body wallops that put Tucker out for the full count. "Skeet" Tucker, the younger brother, won by a knockout over Ralph Garrison in three rounds on the same bill.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES
By PVT. TOM EPHREM

AT Jacksonville—Freddie Archer, 147, won by a wide margin over Miami's lanky Jack Larrimore, 144, in 10 rounds at the Jacksonville Baseball Park. Jack Laken promoted the bout.

Archer, Newark's contender for welterweight honors, captured eight of the ten heats on our score sheet. Unknown to fans was his condition before entering the ring. Several large boils on and underneath his arm handicapped his efforts, but regardless, he did very well before localites and will be more than welcome back. Credit Larrimore with gameness. About 2,000 fans attended.

The semi-final, billed for six rounds, lasted less than a round, and again saw the local Naval Air Station light-heavyweight ace, Jimmy Evans, in the victor's role. Jimmy, a Brooklyn boy with class, scored his fourth straight one-round kayo. This one was at the expense of Cliff Johnson, 183, Detroit. Better competition is needed for Jimmy. Local boxing birds are enthused over him, but to date have not seen him against a sturdy opponent.

A welterweight scrap was the best dish of the night. In this, Eddie Myers, 145, of Philadelphia, survived a first-round knockdown and went on to win a three-round T.K.O. over Tony Cimmino, 149, Bayonne, N. J.

In two four-rounders, Clyde Gordon, Jacksonville, at 145, defeated Johnny Mortarano, 147, Philadelphia, and Henry Gonzales, 158, of Detroit, beat Nat Campisi, 157, of Brooklyn. Tony Cancela, former heavyweight contender from Tampa, was excellent as the referee for the Archer-Larrimore clash and the semi-final.

At Miami—Clarence King ("Cotton" to Floridians), 140, West Palm Beach boxer, scored a T.K.O. in six over Lester O'Brien, 136, New York. In the semi-final, Danny Carabella, 123, of New York, duked over Bascom Bradley, 127, Charleston, S. C., an eight-rounder.

At Tampa—Charley Padalino is a new hero in Tampa fistic eyes. Almost kayoed in the fifth round by a healthy wallop from Tiger Gambini, a MacDill Field soldier, Padalino, Detroit middleweight, heroically came back to tame the Tiger by the knockout route, the end coming in the eighth round of the intended ten. The scene took place at the City Auditorium before a near capacity house. Gambini was way ahead until the end. He had five of the seven rounds credited him, and one even. The loser was floored several times and the third down was the final. The winner weighed 154; the loser, 157.

Promising Harold Meredith of Georgia polished off Young Corn Griffin, 133, in two. An excellent set of prelims rounded out the card. In these, Ralph Hughes, 137, won from Jack Evans, 135; Jackie Simon, 135, defeated K. O. Dixon, 134; and Tiger Henning topped Jim Young. Battling Nick didn't show up for his tussle with Little Tony and faces suspension by the Legion Boxing Commission.

Boxing in the South seems to be the best in quite a few years, with New Orleans, Jacksonville, Miami, Tampa, and Savannah paving the way and smaller towns following successfully. Tampa, with three fight clubs running, is holding up well despite the rivalry. Service boxers can be given a big hunk of credit for the revival of fistic revelry.

We came back from Italy anxiously awaiting the next fight card of Promoter Jack Laken in our own home town, Jacksonville, after receiving much mail from pals who were also interested in the future fistic developments of the Gateway City to Florida. Alas, from what we saw, and if that was a replica of what Jacksonville will have, then there is no hope for boxing down here. Any time a promoter charges high prices for general admission and ringside seats when the same fighters have performed in a two-bit joint in the same city, then he isn't doing the fans, the sport, and the city any good. It's going to take a local man to promote and match fighters. There are many in Jacksonville who could do far better than Laken has given us.

At Miami—Lightweights Fidel Rivera of Mexico and Andy Anderson of Jacksonville met here but briefly. Rivera, 134, landed with a right cross and Anderson, 153, hit the dust for the full count. In the eight-rounder between Lefty Chillo, 137, Mexico, and Jimmy Gresham, 143, Miami, the nod went to the Mexican lad.

To Boxing Manager Jimmy Murray, New York City: Many thanks, pal, for photos of Jake and Joe LaMotta. Have considerable requests for same from men overseas as well as British boxing lovers.

To "Buzz" Bradley, Murphysboro, Ill.: Your autographed picture on hand. Thanks.

Humbly, your correspondent will appreciate all Southern fight news and results for publication in this column. Our address—Pvt. Tom Ephrem, 403 West Ninth Street, Jacksonville, Fla.

LITTLE RHODY'S FISTIC HIGHLIGHTS

By EDDIE BECK

EDDIE (NONNY) SOARES, state amateur champ, is being trained by Bobby Vitti. Vitti has two consistent winners in Joe Celletti and Bobby Zollo. Both fighters are very popular in New England rings because of their pleasing performances.

Joey Archibald, former world's featherweight king, and Slim Summerville, former intercollegiate middleweight champ, are assisting senior boxing coach Jack Waddell at Newport, R. I. Danny Currie is returning to the ring. Mugsey Mandell, former Fall River lightweight, now residing in Providence, is training a few good prospects. Red Levesque is back punching harder than ever for Frank Hennessey.

ITEMS OF INTEREST—S/Sgt. Cletus Kirkwood, former amateur champ, has returned home after more than three years in the South Pacific. Irish Eddie Brink is now doing the matchmaking for the Fall River Casino. He is very popular with the fans, scribes and managers, and should do well. His first show drew the largest crowd of the summer season.

Martin Tabor, East Providence bantam, will return to the ring when discharged from the Army. S/Sgt. Tabor was one of the first boxers from this section to enter the service. He has seen action overseas.

Joey Angelo received much praise from scribes and fans after scoring a one-sided victory over George Larover at Springfield, Mass. He also won an easy victory from Paulie Jackson at Providence.

Boxing in this section will return to pre-war standards before long. Little Rhody may see boxing at its best shortly.

Many talented boys are discouraged from boxing because of the lack of a gym in Providence. Although Notre Dame Gym in Central Falls is well equipped, most boys find it too far away to get to. Jimmy Ruzzo is back in training and will soon be seen in action here. Ernie Guisti is getting better with each fight.

Al Bailey of Pawtucket has some very promising boys under his wing. A few of his charges are in the service and are doing very well in the ring. Jackie Webber, while in the Navy, won 28 consecutive fights. Jackie has defeated two national amateur champs. Allie Webber is in the Marines. He is 118-pound state champ and is a very good prospect. Sammy Zira is a featherweight who will soon turn pro. Babe Normandise is in Germany with the Army. He was undefeated in many amateur contests here. Charlie Lagor is a middleweight in the Merchant Marine and is a very good prospect.

Joe Celletti beat Oscar St. Pierre in ten at New Bedford . . . . Patsy Brandino will resume his ring career as soon as he is discharged from the Canadian Army . . . . Sandy Saddler made a big hit here when he scored two quick kayoes . . . . Kogon's Corners in New Haven is very popular with sportsmen. Former lightweight champ of New England, Julie Kogon, is the proprietor . . . . This writer's address is 307 Wickenden St., Providence 3, R. I.

NEW ENGLAND FISTIC NEWS

By DAN "DOC" AVERY

IT looks as if the New England States are going to see plenty of boxing matches this fall and winter, as plans are being made by every promoter to keep the clubs busy by operating weekly shows.

Doc Almy, the grand old man and sporting editor of the Boston *Post*, is still going strong with his news on boxing daily. Billy Hamilton of the *Herald* is another who is still going strong.

Here are the important bouts of the month:

New Bedford—Johnny Cool, 134½, Worcester, K.O.'ed Freddy Torres, 135, Puerto Rico, one round.

West Springfield—Jack Saunders, 192, Philadelphia, won over Eddie Unknown Winston, 203, Hartford, in five rounds.

Hartford—Tony Falco, 148, Middletown, Conn., K.O.'ed Ralph Walton, 143, Montreal, Canada, in four rounds.

New Bedford—Joe Celletti, 138, Providence, R. I., gained a split decision over Oscar St. Pierre, 142, Fall River, in 10 rounds.

Stamford, Conn.—Joe Bennett, 153, Hartford, won over Bobby Berger, 149, San Diego, Calif. (10). Vic Costa, 144, New York, won over Prudy Pacheco, 141, New York (8).

Providence, R. I.—Johnny Jones, 155, Pittsburgh, Pa., beat Henry Jordan, 144½, Philadelphia, Pa. (10). Sandy Saddler, 122½, Puerto Rico, K.O.'ed Bobby English, 126½, Fall River.

Fall River—Oscar St. Pierre, 135, Fall River, K.O.'ed Jimmy Dundee, 133, Pittsburgh, Pa., in the first minute of the first round. In the eight-round semi-final, Leo Mucucci, 126, Portland, won over Jerry Lavigne, 120, Montreal.

Providence, R. I.—Neva Esparza, 142½, Mexico City, won in ten over Henry Jordan, 144, Philadelphia.

Stamford, Conn.—Joe LaMotta, 151, New York, K.O.'ed Lew Perez, 155, Puerto Rico (2).

West Springfield—Joe Angelo, 136½, Philadelphia, Pa., won over George Larover, 138, Montreal (10). Gus Mell, 137, Montreal, won a close decision over George (Dusty) Brown, 134, Reading, Pa. (10).

Worcester, Mass.—Abel Cestac, 217½, Argentina, K.O.'ed Big Boy Baker, 221, Everett, Mass. (10). Johnny Moran, 155, Dorchester, K.O.'ed Al Pinel, 160, New Bedford (2).

New Bedford—Tippy Larkin, 142, New Jersey, K.O.'ed Joey Gambaro, 143, New York (2).

Hartford, Conn.—Dennis Brady, 128, New York, won over Gabriel Rios, 122½, New York (8).

Bangor, Me.—Frankie Rossi, 142, Boston, won over Rene Cantero, Cuba (8).

West Springfield—Gus Mell, 138, Montreal, Canada, K.O.'ed Mario Torres, 134, Puerto Rico (8).

Waterbury, Conn.—Tami Mauriello, 196, New York, K.O.'ed Charlie Eagle, 183, Waterbury (1).

Providence, R. I.—Charles (Cabey) Lewis, 127½, New York, won over Pat Demers, 133½, Brockton, Mass., in 10.

New Bedford—Paulie Jackson, 133½, Reading, Pa., won over Johnny Cool, 133½, Worcester (10). John Henry Eskew, 170, Brockton, K.O.'ed John Harwood, 182, Hartford (1).

Hartford, Conn.—George Knox, 128½, New Jersey, won over Nick Stato, 131, Springfield (8). Bob Polowitzer, 131, East Hartford, K.O.'ed Oscar Williams, 133, New York (6).

Fall River—Steve Kronis, 131, Boston, won in ten rounds from Johnny Cool, Worcester, in a hard match. Kronis, a southpaw, rocked Cool, who, through his manager, Eddie Shapiro, has been claiming the New England lightweight title. Kronis, the shorter of the two, dropped Johnny three times in the early rounds for counts of nine. The crowd gave Steve a warm reception. Ray (Sugar) Allison, 133, Boston, K.O.'ed Johnny Lopez, 137, New Bedford, in 1. Norman Pineault, 135, Newport, R. I., K.O.'ed Sailor Frank Perry, 135, U. S. Navy, in 1.

Worcester, Mass.—Tim "Buddy" Hayes, 126, Boston, K.O.'ed Chuck Jackson, 129, in the seventh. Bobby Zollo, Providence, K.O.'ed Joe Montiero in four. Chick Jones, Boston, lost a split decision to Sailor Red Doyle in the best match of the show in four rounds. Both weighed 136 pounds.

Stamford, Conn.—Ralph Walton, 138¼, Montreal, and Chester Rico, 138½, New York, drew in ten rounds. Pete Martin, 146, New York, K.O.'ed Jackie Connors, 145, Newark, in three.

Providence, R. I.—Joey Angelo, 135½, Philadelphia, won over Paulie Jackson, 132½, Reading, Pa., in ten rounds. Sandy Saddler, New York, K.O.'ed Earl Mintz, Jersey City, in one round.

West Springfield—Saint Paul, 161, Springfield, won over Indian Gomez, 159, Havana, in 10 rounds. Kenny James, 152, Waterbury, Conn., won over John Anderson, 159, New York, in six rounds.

Waterbury, Conn.—Nathan Mann, 199, New Haven, who was discharged from the U. S. Coast Guard, returned to the ring to win a three-round K.O. over Mike Alfano, 210, Newark, N. J.

Fall River, Mass.—Ernie Forte, 148, Providence, R. I., now under the management of the well-known English manager and horse man, Billy Ames, won over Leon Kennedy, 149, Washington, D. C., in 10 rounds. Lloyd Hudson, 123, Portland, Me., won over Tony Ferry, 123, Fall River, in eight. Irish Bobby Flannigan, making his debut in a New England ring, stopped Cliff Gardin in the second round. Both boys weighed 155 pounds.

Hartford, Conn.—Tony Falco, 145, Middletown, Conn., K.O.'ed Tom Sloan, 141½, New York (3). Dennis Patrick Brady, 128, New York, K.O.'ed Battling Henry, 130, New York (3).

Bangor, Me.—Leon Methot, 133, Montreal, won over Leo Mucucci, 133, Portland, Me. (8). Al Wooster, 138, Frankfort, Me., won over Bob Pooler, 136, Portland, Me., in six.

New Bedford, Mass.—Willard Buckless, 152½, Saugus, K.O.'ed Don Parent, 148, Lawrence, Mass. (3). Gene LaBlank, 132, Fall River, K.O.'ed Arthur Gomez, 118, Freeport (2).

Worcester, Mass.—Spider Armstrong, Canadian featherweight champion, now appearing in New England clubs, K.O.'ed Bobby English in the second round of an eight-rounder. Armstrong, weighing 128 against English's 129, was master of the bout. Ray (Sugar) Allison, 133, Boston, K.O.'ed Johnny LaBlank, 137, Worcester, in the third. Allison is a stablemate of Armstrong. In an eight-round match, Benny Singleton, 142, Waterbury, Conn., was held to a draw by Frankie Feener, 142, U. S. Marines. Feener has the makings of a real good fighter. Johnny Moran, Boston, K.O.'ed Ray Harmon, U. S. Navy, in one round. Moran weighed 153, Harmon 149.

The Milford Boxing Association has been formed, and the writer has been appointed matchmaker for the club. The promoter is Charlie (Clutchy) Goldman, former Boston newsboy. Boxing matches will be held every Wednesday night at Milford, Mass. Fighters and managers seeking action, contact the writer.

Former fighters Ray Steele and our own Johnny Indrisano, the East Boston boy, who are now associated with the movie industry, were visitors in Boston.

Bob Flannigan, the latest Boston Irish lad in the middleweight class, who has been doing most of his boxing around Ohio and doing real well for himself, has arrived in Boston and joined the Avery-McWhirter stable of fighters.

Eddie Brink has been appointed matchmaker for the Fall River club. He should do well in this field, for he knows his fighters . . . . Eddie Shapiro opened his Fitchburg club on September 10 . . . . Solly Snyder, who handled the late Al Lippe's fighters in New England, will open his Salem, Mass., club next month . . . . Knobby King will operate in Lynn . . . . The writer will open the Milford B. A., Milford, Mass. . . . . Fighters who would like to show in Milford should contact me at Ruby & Eddie's Gym, 1783 Washington Street, Boston, Mass.

Fighters who can fight, managers who have good fighters, and servicemen who intend to make boxing a career, contact Avery & McWhirter at 1783 Washington Street, Boston, Mass.

PITTSBURGH FISTIC NEWS

By FRANK T. McQUAIDE, JR.

THE gravel-floored outdoor arena at Hickey Park was the scene of a near riot when some 3000 disgruntled fans tossed handfuls of gravel into the ring at the end of the ten-round main bout between Doll Rafferty, 137, of Milwaukee, and Joey Peralta, 135, of Tamaqua, Pa. In the eyes of the fans, Peralta had won the decision and even local newspapermen voted for the rugged and very aggressive Tamaqua veteran. But the judges voted unanimously for Rafferty. Then came the barrage, which required 15 minutes of sweeping before the semi-final bout could go on. Peralta was the aggressor and outboxed the seemingly lazy Rafferty. Peralta also scored heavily on the infighting.

The supporting card on the Rafferty-Peralta show was a pleasing one providing several upsets. In the six-round semi-final Jack Besselman, 145, Pittsburgh, considered a sure winner, was beaten decisively by Art (Honey) Robinson, 150, also of Pittsburgh. Besselman was saved by the bell in the fifth and had taken a count of seven in the sixth round when the bell sounded ending the bout.

Ray Miller, 135, Ellwood City, Pa., stopped the kayo streak of Chet Bossio, 133, Pittsburgh, by gaining the decision in another six-rounder. This was an upset inasmuch as Bossio had won his last five fights by knockouts and was considered a sure bet to beat Miller.

Charlie Young Zivic, 150, Pittsburgh, won by T.K.O. over Eddie Stravosky, 145, Toronto, O. The rugged stablemate of the former welterweight champion, Cpl. Fritzie Zivic, won as was expected when the referee stopped the bout at the end of the third round because of a cut over Stravosky's left eye.

In the opening four, Joe Smith, 170, Homestead, Pa., decisioned Shed Bell, 165, Youngstown, O.

In the rematch between Rafferty and Peralta at Hickey Park on August 27, the Milwaukee lightweight proved to Pittsburgh fight fans that he is the master of Joey. Rafferty went all out, forcing the fight all the way, boxing beautifully and also piling up point after point on the infighting and winning the return go easily.

He opened a cut above Peralta's left eye in the sixth round and jabbed away at the cut in the succeeding rounds, keeping Peralta's handlers very busy stopping the flow of blood between rounds. However, the cut was not bad enough for the referee to stop the fight.

Referee Ernie Sesto repeatedly warned Peralta about hitting low, and in fact, took the second, sixth and ninth rounds from him for this action. All in all, it was a fan-pleasing bout, with both boys trying too hard for the knockout that never came.

Rafferty weighed 135½, Peralta 137.

In the supporting card on this show, Johnny Johnson, 158, New York, copped the decision over Art Hardy, 156, Pittsburgh, in a six-rounder. In another six, Stanley Jordan, 143, of Milwaukee, lost decisively to Roy Cruz, 149, Ellwood City, Pa.

In a scheduled four-rounder red-headed young Jimmy Anderson, 132, McKeesport, Pa., dashed from his corner at the opening bell and kayoed Leon Jones, 131, of Cannonsburg, with a flurry of blows in 19 seconds of the first round.

Likeable Sammy Angott, former lightweight champion of the world, won over Gene Burton and won easily in the eyes of the majority of the 7000 fans in attendance at Forbes Field on August 20. But the officials thought differently and called the bout a draw. Such a varied difference of opinion among judges and referee never before was rendered in local ring history.

Here is the voting: Judge Lux awarded four each, two even. Judge Davies gave each man five rounds but called Burton the winner on points. Referee Freddie Mastrean voted Angott seven rounds, Burton one, and two even. And the fans howled.

Angott weighed 134; Burton, 135.

CONNECTICUT RING NEWS
By JACK KANE

HARTFORD AUDITORIUM—Tony Falco, 149, Middletown, won by a K.O. in the fourth of a scheduled ten-round bout with Ralph Walton, 143, Montreal. Falco, a soldier on furlough, was too strong and too busy for Walton and put him away at 2:49 of the fourth round with a right hand to the jaw after weakening him with a barrage of body punches in the first three rounds.

The remainder of the card was far from satisfactory, but there was among the four six-round fights one pretty good looking new fighter, Lou Lima, 140, New York, recently discharged from the Navy. He boxed the Hartford veteran, Billy Marcus, 135, and gave him such a decisive beating that the referee stopped the bout in the fourth round. Lima showed very good boxing and sharp punching for a boy of his meagre experience as he was reported to have had but two previous professional bouts.

Tommy Murray, 135, Montreal, had an easy time in his bout with Willie Gibbs, 132, New York. Murray stopped Gibbs in the first round after sending him to the canvas twice. The referee halted the bout without a count on the third trip.

Lou Black, 153½, New York, won a decision in six rounds from Don Anderson, 157, New York. Anderson has given many better performances. Wendy Wilo, 155, New York, went six rounds to a draw with Sam Baroude, 153, New York. The bout was a listless affair. Wilo is one of the good-box-no-punch boys and Baroude is a mauler of the first water. A crowd of 1644 paid in a gross gate of $2644.55.

Hartford Auditorium—The VJ-Day card resulted in the first defeat for Nick Stato, 131, Hartford, in his eight-round bout with Georgie Knox, 128½, Elizabeth, N. J. The fight was waged mostly on the basis of an inside body punching duel and though it was close, it is hard to figure how Knox was called the winner. Stato was definitely the more aggressive and landed just as many effective punch points as did Knox. A defeat more or less is of no harm to a fighter, but it is too bad for Stato that his record of consecutive wins had to stop on such an indecisive note. The curious side of the story was that Stato, long the target of boos and cries of set-up from the fans, was cheered for the first time in many bouts.

Pat Brady, 130, New York, won his 14th consecutive victory and 13th K.O. in the second round of a scheduled eight-round bout. His opponent, Pat Bell, 129, New York, was a substitute for Benny Saladino and though he did not do very well, Saladino would have done no better against the classy New York youngster. Brady will go a long way undefeated as long as he is not overmatched and regardless of the fact that he wins each bout handily.

Bobby Polowitzer, 131, East Hartford, boxed the best bout of his short career against his best opponent. Oscar Williams, 133, New York. Bobby was a K.O. victor in the sixth round.

The opening bout went but two rounds before Frankie Curry, 133, hard-punching Brooklyn boy, finished off the shopworn Marcel Fournier, 135, Montreal.

Hartford Auditorium—Nick Stato, 129½, of Springfield, outpointed Georgie Knox, 127½, of Elizabeth, N. J., in a return bout and thus atoned for his first loss as a professional. Stato won by a convincing margin. He dropped his opponent three times during the eight rounds, but he was hard pressed on several occasions and was hanging on from hard left hooks to the body two or three times. Knox appeared to tire after the fifth round, and Stato, as usual, was in top condition and strong all the way. It was one of the big reasons for his being able to turn the tables on Knox.

Bobby Polowitzer, 129, East Hartford, won by a knockout in the fourth over the much tattooed and very much shopworn Argentine war horse, Francisco Hanid, 131, boxing out of New York. He finished him with a left hook to the stomach midway in the fourth round.

Ham Wiloby, 122½, Corona, L. I., had some sparring for five rounds with Clement Rodriguez, 121, Puerto Rico. Rodriguez was willing and tried hard, but got a bad beating from the sharp-punching Wiloby, who floored him several times before Referee Jimmy Peters stopped the one-sided contest.

The other bout was a good contest between two semi-pros, with Augie Brett, 130, Hartford, a decision winner over his fellow townsman, Carey Mace, 129, after three close rounds. It left the crowd in an uproar, however, because the boy they wanted most to see, Pat Brady, was off the card due to the failure of either his original or an advertised substitute to appear. The crowd booed loud and long, but as usual the National Anthem was played and brought about a return to quiet. The bouts drew a crowd of 2122 people and a gate of $3335.75.

Hartford Auditorium—Tony Falco, 145, Middletown, Conn., a soldier on an overnight pass, won his third consecutive bout of recent date at the Auditorium and his second consecutive kayo when he knocked out Tommy Sloane, 141½, New York, at two minutes of the third in a scheduled ten-round bout. Falco was down himself from a right swing, which hit him on the back of the neck, but he jumped up without a count and took command of the situation by moving inside Sloane's swings to floor him in round two with a left hook to the body and put over the finisher in round three with a hard left hook to the point of Sloane's jaw.

The semi-final was K.O. victory No. 14 in 15 starts for Pat Brady, 128, New York, who stopped Battling Henry, 132, New York, in the third. Henry was a game, tough battler, and finished on his feet after receiving a bad beating, which prompted Referee Johnny Cluney to wave him to his corner.

Eddie Raymond, 130, New York, was also awarded a T.K.O. win over Billy Marcus, 133½, Hartford, in the first round of a scheduled six-round bout. He punched Marcus all over the ring and Marcus' best bet is to hang up the gloves before they hang him up.

Dick Leon, 125, New York, outpointed Gabriel Rios in another six-round bout and Rios is looking much the worse for the wear after absorbing three bad beatings on past shows from fighters 10 or 12 pounds heavier than himself.

Lou Lima, 140, Fall River, Mass., stopped southpaw Ralph Verdejo, 136½, New York, in the fifth round. Lima had some trouble getting the range on his opponent because of the unorthodox style but made up for it when he did get the range. Bobby Root, 133½, New London, won in the opening six over Fred Balesano, 134½, after a hard-fought bout, which found both boys short on condition. The show attracted another good crowd of 1857 people, who paid a gross gate of $2908.95.

Hartford Auditorium—The long-awaited elimination match between Bobby Polowitzer and Nick Stato in Hartford's featherweight new talent set-up is now in the records. Stato, using superior strength and greater counterpunching skill, won a rather decisive victory. He was the winner in five of the eight rounds but his point margins were far greater than Polowitzer could score in winning three rounds. Stato was never in serious trouble, but was shaken up three or four times by hard right hands to the head and Polowitzer was down for a nine-count in the sixth round. Polowitzer appeared stronger at the finish and won the last two rounds. Stato weighed 131, and Polowitzer, 129 pounds.

The under card, filled with subs, was very bad. Pat Brady, 130, was scheduled to box one Joe Jackson, who failed to appear, and the sub, Jimmy Duval, 128, New York, was not in there to get hurt. He went out the easy way in the second round and Brady hung up his 16th straight win. Frankie Currie, 136, Long Island City, won by a K.O. in the second round over Jesse James, 138, Huntington, W. Va. Jackie Moriarty, 122, Waterbury, won by a K.O. in the second round of a six over Percy Idolette, 119, New York.

A bout between Lee Abrams, 138, Hartford, and Freddy Balesano, 140, Hartford, was stopped in the third round and called after both fighters had been badly cut by bumping heads. The fill-in bout was a good one between two semi-pros and though called a draw, was a clear victory for Carey Mace, 130, over his fellow townsman, Augie Brett, 129, Hartford. The bouts drew 3,204 people and a gross gate of $5370.20, a very good gate and the best of the season in Hartford.

JABS FROM ST. LOUIS AND VICINITY
By BUS BURKE

THE Wallach and Eagles pro boxing promotional team certainly have their share of bad breaks. The latest bad break was when the Aug. 17 and Aug. 31 Keil Auditorium boxing cards had to be called off due to the prolonged strikes of the carriers of the three Metropolitan St. Louis newspapers. With no publicity forthcoming, the promoters deemed it wise to halt the proceedings until the presses started operating again. Another tough break for the Wallach and Eagles combination is that it seems as if someone greatly objects to the boxing shows the boys are running here and have taken it upon themselves to hinder them all they can by tearing down the big posters and bills that the boys have scattered all over town for each show.

One of the most tireless workers in a boxing gym that your writer has seen in many a day is Bob Mohler. Bob works out at the Missouri Boxing Association Gym under the supervision of his father, V. Mohler. Young Mohler is 17 years old and plans to spend one more year in the amateurs and then turn pro. Bob won titles in Ozark A.A.U. tournaments in 1944 and 1945, and from where I sit, he looks like a sure bet to repeat in the tournaments coming up. Bob is a welterweight, but moves like a lightweight and hits with the power of a middleweight.

At Oakland, Calif., Billy Gilbert, a 230-pounder from St. Louis, Mo., was K.O.'ed in the second round of a preliminary bout by Paul Jackson, who weighed in at 200 pounds and who fights out of San Francisco, Calif. Charley O'Kelly, another boxer from St. Louis, who at the present time is bowling them over on the West Coast, just recently added another kayo to his list when he disposed of Dick Lee from Florida in the sixth round at San Jose, Calif., on August 14th. Lee was on the canvas four times in the fourth round. O'Kelly is gradually rounding out as the fighter that fight fans here predicted him to be. Charley came in at 148 and Lee weighed 147 for the contest.

Oliver Johnson, a St. Louis featherweight, who is managed by E. L. Robinson of St. Louis, is going to invade the featherweight ranks in Detroit, Mich., where he is sure to be heard from. Oliver is a lad who loves to punch it out with his adversary. While in the Motor City, Oliver will be under the wing of Joe Cook, a Detroit fight manager.

This little Chamaco Luis certainly clicked with the fans here on the last Wallach and Eagles card at the Auditorium when he punched out a decision win over Oliver Johnson. The little Mexican is continually on the march. He is unrelentless. Chamaco is managed by a fellow countryman, Joe Carrillo, who has his charge working out at the Wallach Club.

RIGHT CROSSES—Tony Anderson, the veteran trainer of boxers in the Mid-West, is acting in that capacity at the newly-founded Wallach Club and is turning in a swell job and is to be complimented on his work . . . . Curtis Smith and Curtis Filer have more in common than their given names, in that one won't work on a card unless the other one does, too.

E. L. Robinson has added another Negro boxer, J. D. Marshall, who recently was discharged from the armed forces, to his enlarging string of battlers. Prior to J. D.'s time in the service, he boxed as a pro under the name of Jerry Hayes, so he says, and has boxed exhibitions with Barney Ross and Hammerin' Henry Armstrong, and has met such battlers as Charley Burley, Jimmie Best and others . . . . . Bennie Droll is climbing in the middleweight circuit. He is piloted by Dani Buckley of Peoria, Ill., and looks better in every fight. He recently whipped Mike Sopko at the Marigold . . . . Aug. 14th in Kansas City, Mo., Nick Sanders, who is one of E. L. Robinson's proteges and boxes as a bantamweight, won a six-round decision affair over Frankie Rivieria, who won the 1945 A.A.U. championship and who is a very popular boxer around Kansas City.

Managers with fighters, and fighters wishing to show in St. Louis may still contact the co-promoter and matchmaker, Harry Eagles, at P.O. Box 1739, in St. Louis, Mo.

Send all news of interest to readers of this column to Bus Burke, 601 St. Louis Street, De Soto, Mo. News of boxers now in the service from this locality will be given prompt attention. Your writer would appreciate very much the receiving of autographed pictures of boxers from anywhere in the world to add to his collection.

WESTERN NEW ENGLAND
By GEORGE ROSS

JOE DeMARIA will promote at the Armory in Pittsfield, Mass. He also is matchmaker for the Valley Arena, Holyoke. He will operate the Pittsfield, Mass., club on Thursday night and the Holyoke club on Mondays. George Sheppard has taken over the New Haven Arena and Caroly will go South soon to run the Miami Beach club.

Nick Stato, Springfield, Mass., featherweight, who is doing all his fighting in Hartford, is moving into the main-bout class. His win over Bobby Polowitzer was a great boost.

Dan Carroll of Boston, Mass., has purchased the contract of George Dusty Brown.

Gary Red Cap Cooper will get going soon. He is in training.

Mickey Red Canty, welterweight, will soon be out of the service. Canty is a good-looking prospect. He is a classy boxer, capable of meeting anyone in the game at his weight.

The Valley Arena intends to stage amateur shows on Thursdays, but there might be a change because DeMaria has taken over the Pittsfield club for Thursday night shows.

George Broden with his brother, Allen Broden, intends to build an outdoor boxing club in West Springfield, Mass. They have promoted at the Dog Track for four years and believe that a fight club would be a sound investment.

Sam Silverman of Boston, Mass., is now the owner of the Callahan A. C. in Boston, Mass. The Worcester, Fall River and New Bedford, Mass., clubs are under his banner also.

The Paramount Gym is still open nights for those unable to train during the day.

Homer Buddy Clayton is back in Albany, N. Y. He was down in Texas for a couple of years, but got back to the old stamping grounds. He helps put on the preliminary bouts for the Albany club.

CENTRAL OHIO SWINGS AND HOOKS

By LESS HUFFMAN

CHRIS CLINE, matchmaker for the Miami Valley Sportsmen's Club of Dayton, O., promoted his fourth show of the season, when he featured Leroy Jackson, hard-hitting Cleveland featherweight, and Angel Aviles, Mexican featherweight, in a ten-rounder in the Collins Sports Arena. After ten hard, slugging rounds, Jackson was given the duke, but the fans gave the referee the razzberries for a period of five minutes after the duke was given as they thought the Mexican had earned a draw.

Billy Pappas, Greek heavyweight of Philadelphia, made short work of Billy Davis, Columbus Negro, stopping him in 2:35 of the second round.

Sammy Mack of Columbus, O., and Larry Gudgill, Dayton welterweight, fought a close battle with Gudgill forcing the fight and winning a close decision. Dick Lewis, Columbus, and Lonney Boyd, Dayton, went to a fast draw in six rounds.

The six-round fight that stole the show was between Al Williams of Hamilton and Tiger Wills, Columbus. These two battlers tore into each other like a couple of hungry lions, and the fans were on their feet throughout this fight. The Tiger won the verdict.

The Frankie Abrams and Robert Simmons dispute in Pittsburgh, Pa., has finally been settled. In their third meeting, at Hickey Park, Simmons was given the duke. It was a close fight. In their previous two bouts they fought draws.

Warren (Sugar) Cain, former Dayton wrestler, is home after a couple years in the Army as a military policeman with the 37th Division.

Chris Cline's heavyweight, Billy Pappas, looked better than ever in his last fight in which he stopped Willie Davis of Columbus.

Abe Scurow, Cincinnati fight manager, is seeking bouts for his fighter, Dave Clark.

Vernon Woods and Less Huffman have taken over the Capital Gymnasium in Columbus. This gym has been a failure for two years, but since it came under new management, it has become very popular. Columbus has been long in need of a gymnasium that is up to date, and the new operators are doing everything they can to make the training place a popular spot. Fighters who are traveling across the country are invited to stop and train at the gym gratis.

Bennie Droll, hard-hitting middleweight Marine, has added Curley Denton of the Navy to his long string of victims. Droll is one of the few white fighters who came to the front during the war. He can be booked through the writer. His weight is 160 pounds.

Red Vagnone, who a few years back was an outstanding football player, has been wrestling on the West Coast the last two years. Vagnone has returned to Columbus, where he is a good drawing card.

Among the new fighters who have just turned pro are Alvin Reeves, lightweight; Young Lewis, lightweight; Danny Green, featherweight, and Nate Morse, featherweight. These boys are all good action boys.

Al Williams of Cincinnati is angling for a shot with Willie Russell . . . . Alvin Reeves, a younger brother of Clarence Reeves, the Alabama Kid, who is in Australia, will make his first pro start soon . . . . The Reeves family boasts of three brothers, all southpaw fighters . . . . John is in the Army, Alabama is in Australia, and Jasper, living at home, make up the four fighting brothers . . . . Alvin weighs 135 pounds . . . . Lee Hammond, veteran fight promoter at Dayton, did not promote a show in August . . . . Chris Cline, matchmaker for the Miami Sporting Club of Dayton, took a trip through the East looking for good talent.

Less Huffman, manager of Willie Russell, the Buckeye Buzz Bomb, has had several offers from managers on the West Coast who are eager to take Russell over, but so far Huffman has decided to string along with Russell and to send him to Australia, where he will be handled by Alabama Kid.

Dave Harris, former fight promoter in Zanesville, is now packing them in at his Portsmouth, O., wrestling shows . . . . Joe Basco, Akron's leading fight manager, has been training Ray Trammel for the past two months, and is eager to match him with some good heavyweight. Trammel stands six feet two inches . . . . Al Haft, Columbus' leading fight and wrestling promoter, is now in the turkey business . . . . Al has a large farm on East Main Street, stocked with 5000 young turkeys . . . . Al gives a turkey away at every wrestling show on a lucky number.

At this writing, the Zooligans, who promote all the amateur boxing in Columbus, are getting ready for their winter shows. The Zooligans are composed of all well-known athletic veterans of baseball, football and various other sports . . . . James (Lucky) Jordan, a pretty good Flint, Mich., middleweight, has moved to Columbus and is training nightly at the local gymnasium. Looks good, too.

The Al Haft, Inc., sports promoters, have purchased the ground that has been a sports arena in Columbus for years and will build an air-cooled auditorium for boxing and wrestling.

Columbus, after being dead as a fight center for two years, is back in the spotlight. Billy Russell, the Buckeye Buzz Bomb, of Columbus, and Baby Bert Lytel of Oakland, Calif., were featured in the top ten-rounder in which Lytel was stopped in the fourth heat.

The semi-final fight between Tommy Woodyard, Columbus heavyweight, and Billy Pappas, was quite even, although Pappas got the duke. It was a six-rounder.

Sammy Mack hit his stride when he took Lucky Jordan, Flint mauler, into camp. Jordan tipped the scales at 161, Mack at 152. This was a grudge affair and it started out just like one would expect a grudge fight to be. Mack stopped his man in the second.

In two four-rounders, Leroy West copped the duke over Alvin Reeves, and Todd Doughty and Danny Green went to a draw.

Five good bouts without a substitute is something out of the ordinary for Columbus! A crowd of 2148 fans turned out for the bouts, despite threatening weather and showers, and the end of the war celebration tossed in.

Tommy Woodyard, Columbus heavyweight, topped the show at Huntington, W. Va., at the Tobacco Warehouse, with the opponent being Norman Tweel of Huntington. Woodyard won in the seventh round.

Since George Devault has decided to promote a few boxing shows in Columbus, the Capital City has uncovered several more eager gentlemen who wish to try their hand at the making of matches, so it begins to look as if Columbus will be well represented in the boxing business this winter. We hope so.

Lee Hammond, Dayton manager and promoter, is eager to book some fights for his good heavyweight, Kenney Johnson. Kenny tips the scales at 185 and is a good action fighter.

Bob "Patrick" Flannigan, Columbus lightweight, made his first pro start in Evansville and the local Irishman stopped Harry Sterling in the fifth round. Mike Briggs stopped his opponent, Charley Herman, in the seventh round.

Masho Pavitisch, local light-heavyweight, who was in the Coast Guard, is now fighting as a pro. He tips the scales at 190.

Syd Goldberg, who is the matchmaker for the Onyx A.C. at Toledo, is having a lot of success. He packs them in at every show.

Collins Arena was the scene of another good boxing show on August 24, sponsored by the Miami Sporting Club of Dayton. It was topped by a natural match between Billy Pappas, formerly of Philadelphia and now making his home in Dayton, and Ken Johnson, also of Dayton. It was a ten-round slugging match which ended in a win for Ken.

Gene Gudgill stopped Chuck Martin in the third. It was an even fight until Gudgill uncorked a right and Martin hit the deck.

Sammy Mack of Columbus lost a close decision to Larry Cartwright in six. Both boys mixed like a couple of wildcats.

Young fighters who have just turned pro here and looked good in their first pro bouts are Benny Green, Leroy West, Todd Doughty and Alvin Reeves. All four showed they are polishing up a little and each got a good hand after his fight.

The writer is making the matches here in Columbus for the Quality A. C. Club and fighters wishing to show here should get in touch with yours truly.

Billy Mitchell, Columbus lightweight, gave a good account of himself for three rounds but was stopped in the third by Oscar Boyd of Dayton. It was a good bout while it lasted.

Tiger Wills, the Columbus featherweight, who is always a pleasing fighter for the fans to watch, had little trouble in stopping Young Peguese of Dayton. Peguese went down fighting.

Boxing is to return to Circleville, O., after several years of idleness. Lt. Tom Arther, who was in a German prison camp for 16 months, is back and is the matchmaker for the new club. He plans regular weekly shows at Circleville and also at Chillicothe, O.

The Quality Club of Columbus sponsored its second outdoor show with Al Williams, a willing slugger from Cincinnati, and Billy Russell of Columbus, the headliners. Williams was put to sleep in the third. Both fighters came in at 135 pounds.

The semi-final between Baby Bert Lytel and Swinging Sammy Mack was a real scrap, a grudge affair between two middleweight sockers. A week before Mack stopped Lytel in an overweight bout in which Mack came in at 135 and Lytel came in at 152, and Mack stopped his man in the third. In their next bout, Mack stopped the Baby in the fifth.

Tiger Wills, Columbus featherweight, spotted Paul White, Cincinnati, ten pounds and was given the duke in another six-rounder.

Bob "Pat" Flannigan, a little Irish lad, who was making his second start, gave the fans a run for their money while losing to Freddy Tibbs in the opening four. Both boys are from Columbus.

Eddy George White, heavyweight, is now under the direction of yours truly. He weighs 180.

BALTIMORE, MD., FISTIC FARE

By NATE PHILLIPS

THROUGH the efforts of the Century A. C. a banner show was arranged for the Police Department Widows' Pension Fund which grossed close to $100,000. In a four-rounder that opened the affair Mario Averillo, a newcomer, won over Billy Leonard. In the first ten-round bout, Johnny Allen belted out Dee Amos in the ninth after Dee had given a very good account of himself. Both boys were cut up.

In the second ten, Leroy Jackson beat Al Baby Face Pennino. In the seventh Al had a very badly cut eye and the doctor stopped the bout with Jackson the winner via a T.K.O.

The third ten-rounder saw Steve Mamakos hook up with Reedy Evans. This started off like a Pier 6 brawl. Steve was downed three times in the third after taking a terrific shellacking and Referee Ruby Goldstein stopped the mill in the sixth when Steve was helpless. The fourth and final ten, refereed by Champion Joe Louis, had Vic Dellicurti and Coley Welch hook up, with Vic emerging the winner. Police Commissioner Atkinson was very grateful to all those who helped him. Clem McCarthy was at the mike for the Mutual Broadcasting System through WBAL.

The Century Club presented two ten-round bouts but the writer was not present to witness these as he took a plane that night to Cleveland to see the Bivins-Moore battle. In the first ten, Sammy Daniels lost to Smuggy Hersey on a split decision. The main ten had Phil Muscato the winner over Coolidge Miller.

The Century Club showed Phil Muscato and Reedy Evans in the main go of ten rounds the following week and this turned out to be a great fight with Reedy carrying the heavier guns to his game and ever-trying foe. Reedy won the unanimous decision. In sixes, Bob Shannon won over Ben Davis in a hard-fought battle after having his eye cut in the fourth. In another six, Carrington McNutt won over Stan Mykas via a T.K.O. when Stan's eye was badly cut in the fourth and the doctor stopped this contest.

In fours, Alton Nicholson won over Billy Richardson and Harry Parisi was the victim of a cut eye in the third in his bout with Leslie Harris. This was a very good encounter as far as it went.

The Century Club showed Nate Bolden and Hatchetman Sheppard in the main go of ten rounds at the end of the month. Nate was wont to loaf and Sheppard piled enough points to win. When Nate would let out, the fans were treated to a little action. The Hatchetman won a one-sided decision.

What the main bout lacked in color or action was made up by the preliminaries, which were the best seen here in some time. The show opened up with a four-rounder, in which Mario Averillo, in his second start, belted out Kid Grant in the first in a wild action-filled round.

The next four-rounder saw Tony Longo making his first start, belt out Jim Cotton in the first after two minutes of furious action.

Bobby Lee, in his third start, won over Frankie Les, who outweighed Bobby by 15 pounds, but Bobby put up a good battle to get the duke over his heavier foe.

The next four turned out to be the battle of Iwo Jima, between Joe O'Connell and Jackie Williams. In the first round Joe took a terrific beating and was down for two counts. In the second Joe was down again for a nine-count, but came up off the canvas to carry the fight to his hard-punching foe and the crowd went wild. Near the end of the round, a hard right to the mid-section had Jackie wince. The third opened up with both boys throwing caution to the winds. Joe took another to the jaw but he shook it off, and landed a terrific right under the heart that floored Jackie for the count. Then bedlam broke loose. Here was a fighter on the deck in two rounds, getting beat up in the third, and turning the tide. *What a fight.*

In a five-rounder, Baby Armstrong was too much for Bobby Summers and he belted out Bobby in the second. The six-round semi saw Johnny Ditto and Eddie Davis hook up for the fourth time with Johnny winning via a T.K.O. in the third when the referee thought that Eddie had consumed enough punishment.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON, D. C.
By JIM ECHOLS

BEE BEE WASHINGTON, the District's newest fistic pride, breezed to a unanimous ten round win over Jerry Fiorello, of Brooklyn, in a Turner-Menendez all star card at Griffith Stadium. Bee Bee, who scaled 158 pounds to Fiorello's 160, was the boxing master, and for five rounds doubled danced, sticking a flicking left into Jerry's face. In a hectic six, Washington opened up and in an exchange Fiorello was giving ground. Jerry tried to land his Sunday punch but to no avail, as Bee Bee was working on the inside, with plenty of damage. Fiorello took one round, the second, with the other nine to Washington by the unanimous consent of the presiding officials.

In a scheduled eight round semi-windup, Oscar Wright, 135, Washington, scored a TKO win over Marcel Fournier, 137, Canada, when the Canadian was unable to come up for the fourth round.

Wright, after serving in the Marines, has resumed his fistic career, and he still looks good. Fournier suffered a bad cut on the inside of the mouth. Two sixes comprised the balance of an excellent card. Jimmy McGriff, 143½, Washington, lost in an upset to Joe Davis, 139½, Baltimore, while the opener saw Flattop Cummings, 143½, Washington, kayo Buddy Suma, 142, Washington, in 2:53 of the first. Gross gate was $9261.

Class with a capital "C" moved into the Capitol City fistic circles when the Liberty A. C. presented Willie Joyce of Gary, Indiana, against Morris Reif in a headline main eventer of ten stanzas at Griffith Stadium on August 20. The Gary lightweight silenced the big guns of Reif as he garnered the unanimous decision of the officials. Joyce's most potent weapon was a stinging left that was continually peppering the face of the aggressive Reif. Morris tried a stand-up stance and then a bobbing-weaving style, but it was to no avail as Joyce was effective with that left.

Reif, who forced the fight all the way, was defeated only by the piston-like left of the retreating Joyce, now is solidly established as a feature contender.

In a scheduled six round semi-windup, Jimmy Bell, 187, Washington, won over Dan Biggers, 185½, Baltimore, when Biggers was unable to come up for the second round. After an examination Dr. Leon Gordon, Boxing Commission physician, found a dislocated shoulder.

In two other sixes, Billy Terry, 139, Washington, stopped Jim Pierce, 139½, Vancouver, British Columbia, in 2:53 of the third. After a first round knockdown, Joe O'Connell, 170, Baltimore, kayoed Leroy Fleming, 164, Washington, in 0:55 of the third. The opening six saw Lee Jones, 141½, Philadelphia, score over Don Leon, 144, Washington. Entire card good, with 5,834 persons paying a gross of $14,835.67 for the festivities.

Joe Turner and Gabe Menendez featured four eight-rounders on their semi-monthly show at Griffith Stadium before a small but enthused crowd.

Danny Petro, 130½, Washington, beat Mario Colon, 129½, Puerto Rico, in one eight, which developed into more of a wrestling contest than an exhibition of boxing skill. Petro used his bulling tactics keeping Colon on the ropes, and what little fighting was done was through the efforts of the Puerto Rican lad.

In another eight, Al LaBarba, 142½, New York City, won the duke over Norval Gaddis, 144½, Washington. LaBarba, a recent Army dischargee, won in the last five rounds as Gaddis tired, but Norval had the better of the going in the first three stanzas. A real good bout.

Jimmy Bell, 188½, Washington, won an unpopular decision over Jim Gardner, 177½, Philadelphia, in an eight that saw the Philly lad down twice for nine-counts in the first. However, Gardner came back and at the finish he was connecting with regularity. Bell was to have met Dixie Oliver, but Oliver refused to go on and the boxing commission was powerless to act as his contract with his co-managers had expired.

Oscar Wright, 135, Washington, made short work of his scheduled eight-rounder by kayoing Tommy Murray, 134, Montreal, in 35 seconds of the first. A hard right to the solar plexus after a brief exchange did the damage.

The opening six found Flattop Cummings, 145, Washington, the winner over Jimmy McGriff, 142½, Washington, when Dr. Demayo of the commission stopped the bout due to a bad cut over McGriff's eye. Time of kayo was 2:35 of the sixth. A pleasing club card, but with attendance off.

BOXING AT FORT SILL, OKLA.
By SGT. JACK LANG

FEATURED bout in the third of a series of post-wide boxing shows which was presented at the Field Artillery Bowl at Fort Sill, was a middleweight clash between Pfc. Earl Lister and Pvt. Anthony Komaransky, but as far as the more than 4,000 fans who witnessed the card were concerned, the Pvt. Anthony Michela-Cpl. Edward Layman battle was the night's thriller.

Pfc. Lister, who comes from Indian Wells, Arizona, won his fight with Pvt. Komaransky, who hails from Cleveland, Ohio, when the latter suffered a shoulder injury halfway through the initial canto.

Pvt. Michela, Albany, New York, took the three-round decision from Corporal Layman, Fort Worth, Texas, in a grueling duel. Michela had Layman reeling at the end of the second and third rounds. Layman, however, was game. He tried to put on a rally in the third, but his energy was spent and his blows did little damage.

Three postponements brought the third boxing show of the season down to a seven-bout affair. All but two of the bouts provided plenty of action for the fans. Private Donald Hunt, Mansfield, Ohio, scored a quick and easy TKO in the first round of his bout with Private Joe Oldani, Joliet, Illinois, which opened the evening's activity. A shoulder and arm injury forced Oldani to submit after 40 seconds of sparring in the first.

Pvt. Celestino Laozio, Mexico City, and Pvt. Joe Maffei, Ravenna, Ohio, staged an interesting battle in the 126-pound class and after three rounds of what looked like a wide victory for Maffei, the judges awarded the decision to Laozio.

Knocking his opponent down three times in the third round, Pvt. Carl Wilfong, Buckhannon, West Virginia, won his second victory in post competition. Wilfong scored an easy decision over Pvt. William Hunnell, Columbus, Ohio.

In other bouts on the card, Pvt. Lou Cotter, Newport, Rhode Island, scored a TKO over Pvt. Garvin Wells, Gadsden, Alabama, in 50 seconds of the second round when Wells sustained a cut over his left eye and had to retire. Pvt. Norman (Red) Nichols, Pittsburgh, Pa., took the verdict from Pvt. Jack Shapiro, Toronto, Canada, in a lively welterweight fracas.

IN OUR QUESTION BOX
By NAT FLEISCHER

Cpl. John Domato, A.P.O. 251, PM. N.Y.C.

Q.—Did Marto Servo ever fight Lew Jenkins?

A.—Yes. In Philadelphia on February 17, 1942. Servo won in 10 rounds.

Pvt. Henry Simmons, Drew Field

Q.—Did Jim Jeffries hold the title when he fought Jack Johnson?

A.—No. He had retired in March, 1905, and had awarded his crown to Marvin Hart who had beat Jack Root in a bout which Jeffries had refereed. When Jim came back to fight Jack Johnson, the Negro was the king of the heavyweights. He defended his title successfully against Jeffries and did not win it from him by stopping Jeffries.

Alex Franklin, Halloran Hospital, S.I.

Q.—How would you consider Harry Greb as a fighter? Was he among the first ten middleweights of all time?

A.—I would rate him among the greatest.

Paul Radovich, N.N.M.C., Bethesda, Maryland.

Q.—What were the weights of Louis and Conn when they fought?

A.—Louis scaled 199½ and Conn, 174.

Mark Hannon, Fresno, Cal.

Q.—What were the official scores in the Conn vs. Louis fight?

A.—Referee Josephs—
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13
L L C C L L C C C L C C L
Judge Haley—
L L C C L L L C C L C C L
Judge Monroe—
L L C C L L C C C E C C L

Until the 13th round when the knockout took place the officials had Louis and Conn scored as follows:

Referee Josephs—Conn 7; Louis 5
Judge Haley—Conn 6; Louis 6
Judge Monroe—Conn 7; Louis 4. Even 1.

Charles P. De Shields

Q.—How many times have LaMotta and Robinson met? Where and what were the results?

Louis holds the heavyweight championship. Is it a belt or a crown that was given him when he won it?

Did Gene Tunney retire with the crown or did he pass it on to Louis? Some say he won a crown and Louis a belt. Which is correct? Is Louis still in the Army?

A.—LaMotta and Robinson fought three times. Ray lost in 10 in Detroit on Feb. 5, 1943. He won in 10 in Detroit on February 26, 1943 and he beat LaMotta in 10 in the Garden on February 23, 1945.

Louis received a belt when he won the title. It was a diamond studded belt given to him by me on behalf of the National Sporting Club of London. Tunney received a belt from me. No crown has ever been given a champion. Louis is still in the army.

D. Cagrossi, Schenectady, N. Y.

Q.—From whom did Gus Lesnevich win the title? What were the results of the following fights: Johnny Thomas vs. Willie Joyce; Pep vs. Angott; Nova vs. Louis; Graziano vs. Riggio; Watson Jones vs. Bivins? What were the weights?

A.—Lesnevich defeated Christoforidis in Madison Square Garden in 15 rounds on May 22, 1941. Thomas lost to Joyce on Feb. 9, 1943, in 10, and beat Joyce on March 21, 1944, in 10. Pep lost to Angott in 10 on March 19, 1943. Nova was stopped by Louis, September 29, 1941, in six rounds. He scaled 202¼ to 202½ for Louis. Graziano lost to Riggio in six rounds. Jones lost to Bivins in 10 rounds. I cannot give you the weights.

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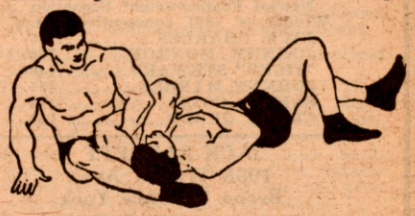

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New Orleans now has three fistic promoters. Richard Conaway made his debut as a fistic impresario by staging the Camarata-Heinold bout. Mike Cusimano, former semi-final welterweight fighter, is Conaway's matchmaker.

The top promoter and matchmaker here is Louis Messina and Lew Raymond. Promoter Heard Ragas and Matchmaker Emile Bruneau have been inactive and plan to start regular shows soon.

Camarata made his first start since losing a six-round decision to Bernard Docusen over a year ago. The long layoff hurt Nickie. Properly matched Camarata may regain his fistic form. Bernard Docusen is now in the U. S. Army.

Promoter Louis Messina and Matchmaker Lew Raymond staged the Tami Mauriello-Gunnar Barlund heavyweight fight here on Monday, September 17. The show had been originally slated for September 10, but Barlund asked for a one-week postponement.

Promoter Louis Messina and his Negro matchmaker, Louis Chattard, have been running Negro fights regularly. Holman Williams won a 12-round decision over Bert Lytell in their last bout.

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NEWS FROM FLORIDA
By VELASQUES

TAMPA—Clarence "Cotton" King, 137, West Palm Beach, pecked out a ten-round victory over Luby Sanchez, 135, New York Cuban. The bout was cleverly fought with both boys smart on the infighting. King won seven rounds.

Eddie Steele, 152, Savannah, Ga., who recently lost his claim to the Southern middleweight title to Buster Carroll, won over Irish Eddie Dunne, 151, Drew Field, in eight rounds. Dunne was dropped twice in the sixth.

Charley Padalino, 150, Detroit, scored a one-round K.O. over Joey Parsons, 148, Miami, to make it 13 straight wins.

K.O. Dixon, 134, Macon, Ga., won from Jackie Gray, 135, Tampa, in a four-rounder.

Harold Meredith, 130, Atlanta, Ga., stopped Charlie Morrison, 128, Macon, Ga., in two rounds.

Manny Gomez, Florida welter champion, is trying to train down to the lightweight division. Gomez is now down to 142 pounds and should have no trouble making the weight.

Miami—Jack Larrimore again stopped Armand Michaud, 136, Lisbon, Me., this time in 1 minute and 25 seconds of the fifth round.

Johnny McGrath, 134, West Palm Beach, defeated Lee Lott, 142, in six rounds. Bob Timpson, 138, Youngstown, O., scored a T.K.O. over Eddie Bond, 154, Tampa. Bond failed to answer the bell for the sixth and final round. In two four-round battles, Charlie Bennett won over Roland Piedmont and Frankie Mason went to a draw with Johnny Kirkland.

West Tampa, with a population of about 15,000 Latins, has turned out more name fighters than most cities of its size. Young Manuel, Tony and Jimmy Leto, Baby Manuel, Tommy Gomez, Tony Cancela, Red Guggino, Joey Puig, Young Lewis and the Temes boys are but a few that came out of the woods of West Tampa.

Vincent Jones of Tampa knocked out George Williams at Baltimore. Jones has lost only two bouts since turning pro and has over a dozen wins.

Miami—Soldier Danny Carabello, 124, punched out an eight-round victory, his second in Miami, over Red Hutchins, 126, St. Petersburg. Bob Timpson stopped Joe Parsons in three rounds. Dick Fernandez lost by a T.K.O. to Lee Lott in five rounds. Frankie Mack and Jackie Greenberg drew in a six-rounder, and Charlie Bennett scored over Donald Hart in three rounds.

Tampa—Buster Carroll, Southern middleweight champion, was no match for Manny Gomez, Florida welter champion, who stopped him in the fourth round. Gomez won the first three rounds easily, dropping Carroll four times in the third round. This was a rematch, Carroll having won a ten-rounder in their first meeting.

Tampa—Red Hutchins, St. Petersburg featherweight, came out of retirement to score a five-round knockout over Carl McKinney, Jacksonville. Hutchins floored McKinney several times.

Hank Roque, 135, West Tampa, scored a three-round T.K.O. over Buddy Carroll, 135, Jacksonville, when Carroll failed to come out for the third due to a broken dental plate.

Johnny Dupree, 135, unloaded a powerful right to knock out Jerry Roche, 135, Tampa, in the second round.

Young Pahokee, 130, Tampa (Kid Pahokee), easily outpointed Jackie Decker, 130, Tampa, in four rounds.

Young Dempsey, 134, Tampa, defeated Johnny Lynch, 135, in a four-rounder.

Tampa—Eddie Steele, 153, Savannah, Ga., defeated Buddy Rose, 157, Tampa, in ten fast-moving rounds. Rose, winner of 14 of his last 15 bouts, was always dangerous but he weakened in the late rounds. Steele gained a big edge in the fifth when he staggered Rose with a hard right. In the ninth he dropped Rose for a nine-count.

Charley Padalino, 155, Detroit, continued his sensational string of victories by stopping Tommy Purcell, 150, Tampa, in two rounds.

Hal Meredith, 132, Macon, Ga., flattened Charlie Morrison, 129, Tampa, in five rounds. Morrison was dropped six times.

Battling Nick, 114, West Tampa, won a six-round decision over Little Toney, 106, of Ybor City.

Tiger Henning, 185, Tampa, defeated Jimmy Young, 190, Plant City, in four rounds.

In a four-round bout at Drew Field, Roy Evans and Ray Atkins put up one of the best scraps seen around here in a long time. Atkins won the decision but there were many who thought Evans should have won.

Cpl. James Dean of Miami, who fought as a pro for four years, is now doubling as a boxer and singer. Cpl. Dean is now stationed at the St. Victoria Staging Area near Marseille, France.

Manny Gomez, the pride of West Tampa, has agreed to meet Charley "Killer" Padalino of Detroit in a 15-round bout for the Southern middleweight title. Gomez, who now holds the Florida welter title, will get $750.

Tampa—Chino Alvarez, 127, West Tampa, lost a close and exciting ten-round bout to Red Hutchens, 122, St. Petersburg, but he proved once again that he is not washed up yet. Hutchens won seven of the rounds and had a 7-6 points advantage, yet one of the judges voted for Alvarez. Hutchens lost the first three rounds and after being dropped for a nine-count he came back strong to win every other round. Both Alvarez and Hutchens are ring veterans having over 30 years of battling between them.

Frank Falvey, 145, McDill Field soldier, and Ceal Yancey, 140, St. Petersburg, went eight rounds to a draw in the semi-final.

Battling Nick of West Tampa won over Jackie Decker of Miami in six rounds. Johnny DuPree, 140, Tampa, won over Ferol Norris, 142, Tampa, in four rounds. Young Dempsey and Blond Baggett fought a draw in the four-round opener.

At Jacksonville, Jack Larrimore, 147, Miami, dropped a ten-round decision to Freddie Archer, 144, Newark, N. J. The decision was unanimous. Archer won every round except the fourth, when Larrimore got off his bicycle and took the offensive. There were no knockdowns.

Tommy Gomez, Port Tampa heavy, now in Germany with the 70th Infantry Division, will soon receive his discharge. Gomez was wounded in his right arm, right leg, chest and buttocks, but he is now fully recovered and anxious to return to the ring. Gomez has organized and trained the 70th Infantry boxing team and has taken part in many exhibitions. Gomez is a much better fighter now and recently made a good showing against Sgt. Bill Clark, Division champion. Gomez is only 24 and has a great ring future ahead of him.

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BOXING IN FRANCE AT DELTA BASE
By S/SGT. BILL BARANOFF

BEFORE a crowd of 30,000 G.I. spectators, Delta Base Special Service and the Calais Camp Special Service put on the second in a series of weekly boxing shows that would have been a treat to the fans in Madison Square Garden. Every bout was a thriller, with no uneven matches.

In the main event, Jimmy Coleman, 167, promising Los Angeles light-heavy, snapped the winning streak of the sensational French fighter, Louis Garino, 165, in three action-packed rounds. Coleman, a large edition of Henry Armstrong, chased Garino all over the ring and staggered him on numerous occasions only to have the tough Nicois fight back viciously. However, the heavy body punching that Jimmy dealt out began taking its toll and Garino was glad to hear the final bell (3). Coleman is due to depart for the States any day and should go far in professional circles.

Charlie Kirkling, 147, Pittsburgh, Pa., had to use all his ring savvy against heavy punching Chuck Railey, 152, Los Angeles, Calif., to win the unanimous decision.

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Eustacio Baca, 123, U. S. Army, reversed a previous loss by taking the decision over Jean Viole, 125, French Navy. Bob Payne, 181, and Leroy Anderson, 178, put on a real brawl for three rounds which left both bloody but unbowed and the decision was called even. Bob Naranjo, 125, New York City, sensational Puerto Rican scrapper, had a rough first round with tough George Rockymore, 125, but found the range in the second and put the lights out for his opponent. Clyde Stevenson, 134, outboxed Billy Sizemore, 136. Claude Banks, 169, lost to Bill Carter, 168, in a close, hard-fought bout.

Jimmy Jackson, 152, carried too many guns for Johnny Young, 155. Tom Patton, 125, decisioned Sam Kelly, 124, in the opener.

Seven thousand G.I. fans and French civilians saw the Delta Base team blast the French Nicois team, 6 to 3, in a nine-bout program. The feature bout found busy Jimmy Brown, 125, too smart for rugged Joseph Cubedu, 128, and Brown romped off with his second win over the Nicois boy.

Louis Garino, 160, French sensation from Cannes, made short work of Claud "Sonny" Banks, 163, by dropping him in the first round. Banks survived the knockdown but was subjected to a heavy blasting in the second which prompted Capt. "Hutch" Hutchins to stop the uneven contest in 1 minute, 20 seconds.

Angelo Mera, 138, had too much ring savvy and Sam Commedo, 138, couldn't get the range with his heavy artillery. Mera got the decision in three. Robert Naranjo, 125, flashy Puerto Rican feather, came to blows again with the French featherweight champion, Michel Fede, 125, who two weeks previously won a duke over him. They fought viciously throughout the first and second, taking turns at staggering each other. In the third, Naranjo hurt Fede with a hard left hook to the jaw, followed up the advantage with a hard right cross and put Fede into the land of Nod. Time: 1:18.

Charlie Kirkling, 146, boxed beautifully for two and a half rounds against rugged Raymond Fleuri, 145, and made a human punching bag out of the boy from Cannes. In the third, "Kirk" went out for the kill and kayoed the French boy with a terrific left hook to the solar plexus (2:27). Jimmy Dare, 128, decisioned John Trincheri, 128. Joseph Cornetto, 128, decisioned Bill Arthur, 127. Robert Thomason, 115, boxed rings around Philip Smeraldi, 118, to gain the decision. Albert Yancy, 119, decisioned Carl Damalto, 116. Antoine Brunelli, 70, bellhop from the Ruhl Hotel, boxed a draw with Jacques Lanza, 70, Negresco Hotel.

Referees: Capt. Harold Hutchins and Capt. Mike Tursi. Judges: Cpl. Hesterly and Mr. Carrier. Announcer: S/Sgt. Bill Baranoff.

BOXING ON THE LST-I

ENSIGN CHARLES McDOWELL of the USS LST-I, operating out of Little Creek, Va., after having recently returned from two years of active service in overseas duty, sings the praises of the ship's young boxing team. The team has been undefeated in four shows and has been victorious in two base shows and hopes to take on Tony Zale's Little Creek team in the near future.

The boys are coached and trained by a former boxer, Ralph Lake, and the team is made up as follows: Johnny Simmons, 147; Billy Cron, 160; Skippy McCants, 165; Bobby Lewis, 165. Two outstanding boys are Gordon Lindstrom, 147, with six straight wins, and Gil Brown, heavyweight, who the last time out beat the former Florida state champion. The team works out daily under the watchful eye of Lake.

TYNDALL FIELD FIGHT NEWS
By ARTHUR R. ANDERSON

EVERY Tuesday night at Tyndall Field, Florida, is fight night. Under the guidance of Lt. John Gueder, boxers have been able to show their fistic wares and provide good, clean entertainment for the G.I. fight fans.

Mack Hogan, a former professional from Memphis, Tenn., won a clean decision from Billy Parker of Jacksonville, Fla., in the main attraction of a recent card. Hogan's ringwork was too much for his less experienced opponent. But Parker showed his gameness, after being floored in the third, and captured the hearts of everyone.

Jerry Herrington, 159, spotting his opponent ten pounds, won a close decision from Leon Logan in a free-swinging match.

Mark Turner and Clyde Stares fought to a draw in a dull fight. They weighed 150 and 145, respectively.

Jerry Pitts, 140, scored a T.K.O. over Tim Reed, 145, in the third round.

In the Billy Parker-Walt Fields semi-final bout on a recent card, the battlers threw everything but the ring posts and probably would have done that if the fight had not been stopped due to the fact two of the ring posts did break. It was a wild fight while it lasted and the two boys will be rematched soon.

Milford Love, 155, from Cleveland, O., and Johnny Clarke, 165, of New York, fought three rounds to a draw. This was a fast, hard-hitting bout, with both fighters drawing blood in the final stanza.

Joe Wall of Iowa won a decision from Jerry Herrinton of Pennsylvania. Herrinton tired considerably and lost his effectiveness in the last round. They were middleweights.

Chris Dehart, weighing 154, of Kentucky, lost to Mark Turner, 150, of Illinois. Turner's aggressiveness was the deciding factor.

Earl Manley of Oklahoma City, Okla., won a decision from Joe Breen of Louisiana. This was a close fight with Manley winning on points scored early in the bout.

IN TACOMA, WASHINGTON
By HOMER AMUNDSEN

WITH peace once more with us, boxing should find its way into higher footing with Puget Sound fight fans.

In Memoriam—Tacoma boxers who gave their lives in action over there. Pvt. Ray Beeson, Pvt. James McLeod. God rest their souls.

Lt. Don Ferris, Tacoma boy, was recently home on furlough. Don had 24 missions over Germany. The lieutenant, who has boxed some in the service and in civilian life, put in a few loosening up licks at Amundsen's gym while home on furlough.

Tommy Passmore, Tacoma's 18-year-old heavy-handed welterweight of promise, writes from the Navy Training Center, San Diego, that he is taking up boxing. Tommy's short career shows four starts, four knockouts. Not bad for a starter.

Many fighters from various parts of the nation have in the past few months gone through training sessions at the Amundsen Gymnasium. A few of them: Lew Hanbury, Washington, D. C., lightweight; Abie Hockhiser, Brooklyn, N. Y., lightweight; Al "Catfish" Bourgeois, New Orleans 140-pounder; Leo Center, Savannah, Ga., middleweight; Art Deringher, Washington, D. C., middleweight; Johnny O'Hara, Iowa middleweight; Simpson Evans, Chicago, Negro heavyweight, and Johnny Lovett, Philadelphia, Pa., lightweight. Boxers visiting the Pacific Northwest, when in our vicinity and looking for a place to train, drop into Amundsen's Gym. We have the best of everything.

Post-war boxing prospects from Tacoma are Buster Arnestad, Tommy Passmore and Donnie Bush. These lads can't miss.

The writer recently received from President Harry S. Truman, a colored and life-sized portrait of the nation's Chief Executive, with personal best wishes inscribed on same. President Truman happens to be a boxing fan.

A large civic auditorium is talked of as a post-war reality for Tacoma. A committee has been picked and plans are going ahead.

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BOXING RESUMED AT WICHITA

THE lid is off on boxing in Wichita, Kan., with the announcement that Homer Mosely's Veterans of Foreign Wars Club will start promoting pro and amateur shows. Sutro Pearl, well known to the boxing fraternity, will be associated with Mosely and will act as matchmaker for the club.

Wichita was rated as one of the best cities for heavyweight bouts in the country prior to the war. While boxing activity has been at a standstill here during the war period, the officials of the new club are confident it will regain its high place shortly. The club has one of the finest gymnasiums in the Southwest and already many pros and amateurs are working out daily.

Managers of pro fighters and amateurs are asked to get in touch with Sutro Pearl at the club office, 212 North Market Street, Wichita, Kan.

NEWS OF TEXAS RINGS
By BILL DAVEE

AT Juarez—Tiger Watson Jones, dynamic Los Angeles light-heavy, kept his record of never having been defeated hereabouts intact as he punched out a four-round knockout over Lou Brooks, Philadelphia heavyweight. In the six-round semi-final, Rata Soto decisioned Baby Gallo.

San Antonio—Artie Dorrell, a Texas welter, who has done most of his campaigning around New York and California since he emerged from the simon pure ranks, showed the home folks what a fighter he had developed into as he took the measure of Mexico's Pedro Ortega in ten gruelling rounds. Ortega's heavy hitting kept him very much in the fight, and at the end of the eighth heat, in which he nailed Artie with a terrific left hook that staggered the local lad, it was all even. However, Dorrell showed the stuff of which he is made by stepping out in the last two rounds to punch Pedro from pillar to post, earning the unanimous decision. Dorrell weighed 145, Ortega 140.

In the semi-final Wayne Armstrong, 154, chalked up his 14th straight by pulverizing Pelon Garcia, 149, gaining a T.K.O. in the fifth. Tony Elizondo, 158, got off the floor in round two to grab a close duke over Ben Johnson, 160, in six. Ramon Alva, 128, T.K.O.'ed Ray McNally, 129, in five.

Houston—Punchin' Paul Altman, 154, won recognition as Texas middleweight champion by taking the measure of Wild Bill McDowell, 158, in ten rounds of give-and-take slugging. It was the second victory for Altman over Wild Bill and it was not nearly as close as the first setto.

In the semi-windup, Ben Johnson flattened Bill Deering in the third. Weights: Johnson 160, Deering 159. Chino Lopez, 136, drew with Oliver Hamm, 140, six. Frankie Reyes, 137, K.O.'ed Vince Mazac, 140, three rounds. Abe Menchaca T.K.O.'ed Dan Archer via cut eye in the second. Both weighed 134.

San Antonio—In a great slugging bee, Artie Dorrell finished strong to gain a split decision over Baby Yucatan, Mexico City slugger. Round after round, these two gamesters stood in the center of the ring and traded punches with first one then the other having the advantage. Dorrell caught Yucatan against the ropes in the seventh and floored him for a count of nine that was just about the deciding factor of the fight. Dorrell, at 147, had a two-pound pull in the weights.

In the semi, Tony Elizondo, 158, knocked out Bill Deering, 160, in the third round of another rousing battle. Ramon Alva, 130, halted the comeback aspirations of Robert Gomez, 135, via a knockout in the fourth. Ben Johnson, 159, scored his 16th knockout in 24 starts when he tagged Jesse Gomez, 155, for the long count in four. Chuey Rodriquez, 125, beat Kid Dillinger, 126, four.

GLOVE GOSSIP—Baldy Baldesareli, for many years one of Texas' most popular managers, appears to have a real comer in Tony Elizondo, hard-hitting Mexican middleweight, who is undefeated and has scored kayoes in six of his eight pro starts . . . . Promoter Ralph Smith of Houston has finally inked the long-sought Fritzie Zivic-Paul Altman scrap, which will be history ere this appears in print. It's a natural for the Bayou City . . . . Jimmy Parks, popular young man about boxing, has taken over the boxing club at Laredo and will run weekly shows in the Border City. He should do well as Jimmy is 100% okay and a hustler . . . . Rumors have it that Corpus Christi and Beaumont will also get started again very soon. Both should be good spots if run properly.

Galveston, long one of the state's very best fight cities, is dormant for some reason or another . . . . San Antonio fans are craving to see bantam champ Manuel Ortiz . . . . Tony Mar, the Latin-Americans' favorite fisticuffer, is due back for a series of fights here soon . . . . Sam Richards, who is doing well with Negro shows at Houston, is anxious to hear from good Negro talent. His address: 314 Jensen Drive, Houston, Tex. . . . . Wright Riley, formerly with the Texas Boxing Commission and for many years closely connected with the game, died suddenly of a heart attack . . . . Wonder why some enterprising promoter doesn't start boxing in Ft. Worth and Dallas? The two north Texas cities have been great fight centers in years gone by, and should be again . . . . Promoter Clare Gans has done wonders at reviving boxing in Oklahoma City and is drawing well there . . . . The writer's address: 1518 N. Trinity St., San Antonio, Tex.

TEXAS BORDER BOXING NOTES
By "TEX" WOODS

EL PASO and Juarez are the two best fighting spots along the Mexican border at the present time. Matchmaker Jimmy Erwin runs the indoor shows from October until May in the Liberty Hall Arena in El Paso, and during the summer months he promotes in the Juarez Bull Ring in old Juarez, Mexico. In the Juarez promotions he is affiliated with Roberto Gonzales, well-known Mexican bull fight promoter.

The famous old Juarez Bull Ring is one of the finest arenas on the border. It seats 6000 and has a $10,000 lighting system, installed for night bull fighting and boxing. The gates average anywhere from $3000 to $5000 at each boxing show. Bouts are held every two weeks.

The El Paso and Juarez clubs are the only two clubs in the Southwest that have run consistently for the past five years with two shows each month. Incidentally, Matchmaker Jimmy Erwin is the oldest active promoter in the Southwest, for Jimmy has been in the boxing game along the border now for the past 30 years. He can still recall back in the revolutionary days of Mexico, when he ran in Juarez and paid his license to Pancho Villa, the famous bandit chief, who was then in charge of northern Mexico.

The bright figures in border boxing right now include Sgt. Manny Ortega, featherweight from the air base; Cpl. Ragon Kinney, heavyweight from the A.A.T.C. training center at Ft. Bliss; Watson Jones, the California Negro light-heavyweight; Clayton Worlds, Chicago heavyweight; Johnny Donnelly, Coast heavyweight; Manuel Villa, Texas state welterweight champion; Midget Mexico, veteran welterweight; Rodolfo Villa, bantamweight; Fidel Rivera, lightweight; Tony Fernandez, featherweight, and Pedro Ramirez, featherweight. These well-known boxers have shown to good advantage during the past year at the El Paso and Juarez clubs and are very popular with the fans of this vicinity.

The champions of the border, which include west Texas, New Mexico and Arizona, are: Watson Jones, heavyweight and light-heavyweight; middleweight, Midget Mexico; welterweight, Manuel Villa; lightweight, vacant, with Fidel Rivera best in this vicinity at present; featherweight, Sgt. Manny Ortega; bantamweight, Pedro Ramirez; flyweight, Baby Gallo.

The hottest drawing card on the border right now is Sgt. Manny Ortega, a former Texas Golden Gloves champion, who turned professional eight months ago and who has knocked out every opponent he has fought, including Pedro Ramirez, Alvaro Estrada, Johnny Kid Pacheco, Sonny Gomez, Manny Marmolejo, Jesse Beccera and Pee Wee Lewis.

Recent fight results in the Juarez Bull Ring: Tiger Watson Jones, 175 pounds, knocked out Lou Brooks, fourth round. Tony Montes won in four from Soldier Arratia. Frankie Cisneros and Tony Serrano drew in four rounds. Frankie Saucedo and Manny Marmolejo drew, four rounds. Rata Soto beat Baby Gallo in six rounds.

Sgt. Manny Ortega knocked out Pedro Ramirez in the eighth round of a scheduled ten-rounder. "Rat" Soto won a six-round decision from Baby Gallo. Kid Obregon knocked out Al Pacheco in the second. Soldier Arratia won over California Kid, four rounds. Frankie Dozal knocked out Tony Montez in four.

Cpl. Ragon Kinney won in ten rounds over Tiger Sheppard, heavyweights. Lefty Chillo defeated "Slim" Terror in six rounds. Tony Serrano knocked out Roberto Monroy, two rounds. Frankie Dozal knocked out Gabby Cortez in three rounds. Sammy Andrade and Soldier Arratia drew in four rounds. Tony Fernandez knocked out Baby Torres in four rounds.

Watson Jones and Johnny Donnelly, heavyweights, drew in ten rounds. Lefty Chillo and Fidel Rivera fought a draw in the six-round semi-final. Frankie Cisneros won in four rounds from Tony Serrano. Kid Obregon kayoed Congo Kid in three rounds. Frankie Serrano won over Joey Ramirez in four rounds.

Boxers and managers passing through and desiring bouts in El Paso and Juarez can communicate with Matchmaker Jimmy Erwin, 2625 Silver Street, El Paso, Tex.

IN INDIANAPOLIS RINGS
By ANTHONY COPPI

THE promotional activities of Bruff Cleary, who has held boxing and wrestling shows in Muncie, Ft. Wayne, Marion and Huntington, have been curbed. Cleary, former Democratic state senator, will be allowed to operate only in his home town, Ft. Wayne. The reason for this is explained in a statement by Archie Hindman, state athletic chairman, which follows:

"To improve the sports governed by the State Athletic Commission of Indiana, each city that is large enough to support either professional boxing or wrestling, or both, should have a promoter who lives in or within a reasonable distance of that particular town.

"This will encourage new promoters and bring new life, pep, and enthusiasm into the game, and by so doing revive the game throughout Indiana. Also by doing this one will discourage a monopoly in the promotion of professional boxing and wrestling and at the same time keep the profit in the town or district in which the programs are staged.

"The commission will encourage returned vets who are interested in promotions to open up in their town if the town is large enough."

Pressure was also brought upon Lloyd Carter, successful local promoter, who is a Democrat. (Members of the commission are all Republicans.) However, Carter will be allowed to continue operating after a statement by Governor Gates, stating that politics should have no bearing on which promoters should operate as long as the customers were satisfied. During the present shortage of talent, Carter has done well in the promotion of boxing. Last month he held three shows which were highly received by local boxing enthusiasts.

Outstanding of the three boxing shows staged here at the Sports Arena during the month was a rematch for the state welterweight title between Robert Simmons and Sparky Reynolds, both local belters. Simmons won the verdict in 12 rounds. Although lacking a finishing punch, Simmons won all the way with a superior left and better infighting coupled with rugged aggressive tactics. Simmons keeps moving further up the welter ladder with previous victories over such talented stars as Frankie Abrams, Verne Patterson, Gene Gudgill, Tommy James, Bill Parsons and others.

In the semi-windup of six rounds, Leroy Scales, 163, Chicago, won the decision from Arnold Deer, 162, Indianapolis. A last-round rally by Scales added to his previous edge.

One of the highlights of the card was a scrap between Mike McKessick, 157, former local Marine, and Jimmy Cook, 154, Chicago. McKessick waded in with a flurry of punches and laid the soporific punch on the rangy Windy City belter in 2:55 of the first round.

In four-round tiffs Herman Mills, Chicago lightweight, won over Robert Beamon, Indianapolis; Doug Jordan, 154, Chicago, slammed out a decision over Kid Bartley, local 155-pounder, and Ralph Turpin, local featherweight, knocked out Jackie Collins of Muncie in 29 seconds of the second round, scheduled for four.

Tommy Charles, former light-heavy of Terre Haute, Ind., is now campaigning under the Tom Leeper banner locally. Charles, a first lieutenant in the Army before receiving an honorable discharge, had six pro bouts before entering the service.

Clayton Worlds, 194-pound Chicagoan, earned a ten-round decision over Clarence Brown, 203, Detroit belter, in a featured scrap at the Downtown Sports Arena. Worlds was a last-day substitute for Buddy Walker, who sustained a back injury during training. Walker was excused from participation against Brown by commission doctors.

The Windy City scrapper used an effective left to pile up points against the former sparmate of Joe Louis.

Ted Christie, Chicago lightweight, pounded out a six-round decision at the expense of A. C. Lee of Indianapolis in the semi-windup.

Arnold Deer, local middleweight, put up one of his best scraps when he stopped Doug Jordan, Chicago Negro, in the third round of a scheduled six. Jordan was down twice before taking the final count.

Billy Sullivan, 187, Chicago, won by a T.K.O. over Garfield Foster, 173, Indianapolis, in the first round of a scheduled four. Foster, with a cut left eye, failed to answer the bell in the second.

Joe Atkins, Chicago, won a decision from Tiger Kiggans, Indianapolis, in the initial four-rounder. They are welterweights.

Al Sheridan, local light-heavyweight, who formerly fought for Gene Jackson, Indianapolis fight mentor before entering the Navy, is back in this city with an honorable discharge. Sheridan will resume ring activities locally after a few weeks' training. While stationed on the West Coast he participated in a number of bouts in California, winning over Ace Spates, Allen Arnett, Tony Resto and a few others.

Colion Chaney, young local Negro heavyweight, eked out a close decision over Clayton Worlds, Chicago, six-foot-four-inch 192-pounder, in a featured ten-round mill at the local Sports Arena. Chaney was the harder puncher and carried the fight to his elongated rival.

Pardon us for saying so little about the main event, for the semi-windup merits considerable discussion. In this bout, Ted Christie, lightweight, of Chicago, was awarded his scrap with Herman Mills, also of the same city, in a scheduled six-rounder. Mills was "knocked out" by an invisible punch in the second round after being down from a previous blow that missed by several inches. The referee, Hope Mullin, declared the bout "no contest" and stated Christie the winner by default. Here's the rub in the contest: Both boys are out of Danny Spunth's stable, Chicago.

Tiger Kiggans, Indianapolis welter, won a well-earned decision over Jimmy Martin, Chicago, in a five-round bout.

In the preliminaries, Mike McKessick, local middleweight, blasted out a five-round decision over Kid Bartley, local, and Tommy Charley, Indianapolis, knocked out Doug Jordan in the second round of a scheduled four.

PROFILE—Our sixth in a current series of interviews with local fight dignitaries deals with Gene Jackson, Indianapolis fight trainer and manager. Jackson, an ex-welter, however, has gained much more distinction as a sketch artist. Known as Gene Mercere, he toured the States, appearing in leading department stores from coast to coast. Energetic, he does his sketches in rapid fire order and for that reason children and dogs are his favorite models because they can only sit for a short period. While making appearances in New York and Hollywood, he sketched some of the most famous stars in show business. Katherine Cornell, Ethel Barrymore, Gertrude Lawrence, Basil Rathbone, Fred Stone and Francis Lederer are a few of the many he has portrayed. His favorite is a drawing made with ordinary pencil on scrap paper of the famous Will Rogers. Jackson had 110 bouts when he fought as a welterweight in the South. Today he is making strides to develop a large stable of fighters and has a good start with Mike McKessick and Al Sheridan, promising local mitt-tossers.

MINNESOTA NEWS
By BILLY COLBERT

KARL MALM, the Park Rapids heavyweight, who has been in the Army for three years and saw action in Italy and Germany, has been discharged from Camp McCoy. Karl now weighs around 265 pounds and is six feet, four inches tall. He is rapidly getting in shape and will be boxing on the cards in the near future. He is under the direction of Emmett Weller, Minnesota state lightweight champion.

Danny Gibbons, youngest son of the Phantom Mike, is over in Okinawa. Dan is only 20 years old and has been in the Marine Corps over two years. He is a chip off the old block, because Dan can box and punch just like his dad, which wasn't bad. He was also a star football, baseball and hockey player at Cretin High School before he enlisted in the Marines.

ODDS AND ENDS—Don Riley, sports writer for the *Pioneer Press*, is one of the best in the state . . . . Eddie Williams, the St. Paul boxing promoter, is featuring Elmer Ray on his cards in St. Paul . . . . The promising amateurs working under the direction of Emmett Weller are Vern Salwasser, a featherweight; Jim Weihrauch, bantam; Matt Morrelli, flyweight; Dan Primoli, bantamweight; Bill Lee, featherweight. They show a lot of promise . . . . Jackie Conway, Minneapolis welterweight, has received his discharge from the Navy. He was physical director of a naval base at Quoddy Point, Me. . . . . Labe Safro, former middleweight boxer in 1915, is now a champion bag puncher . . . . Jackie Cameron, former featherweight from St. Paul, is in the wholesale grocery business and also owns a couple of flat buildings in the Saintly City . . . . Billy Whelan, a great lightweight in 1915, is a whiskey salesman.

Pvt. Pete Renteria, St. Paul amateur heavyweight, is in the Army over in Okinawa. Pete has won many bouts in the Army competition. He was a very good amateur heavyweight in St. Paul and now weighs around 220. He is six feet, three inches tall. Pete is planning on boxing pro when he gets back to the States . . . . Big, handsome Jack Jersey, St. Paul heavyweight, in the Navy for three years, is expecting to get discharged. Jack has many medals and service ribbons. He saw action in eight major engagements and was wounded in the South Pacific last year . . . . Mike Sternberg, Rochester boxing promoter, is planning a number of shows for the fall season. His pride and joy, Mert Herrick, Northwest Golden Gloves welterweight champion, is expected home soon from the Merchant Marine.

Karl Ogren, former middleweight boxer, now in the Merchant Marine, is over in Norway. He signed the Swedish champion, Ole Tandberg, to a contract. Tandberg boxed in Chicago in 1940. At the present time he is the European champion. He is 25 years old.

Tiny Lee, the Minneapolis heavyweight, is winning his fights on the Coast. Del Wisenor bought his contract from My Sullivan. Tiny only weighs around 260 and can fight for a big fellow . . . . Jackie Graves, Austin featherweight, and his popular manager, Len Kelly, are planning a trip to the Coast for a series of bouts. Graves is one of the best featherweights in the country . . . . Hugo Amato, Detroit fight manager, has some good boys in training . . . . Emmett Yanez, Mexican featherweight, now with the paratroopers in Germany, is another good boxer who expects to be discharged soon. As an amateur, he boxed Jackie Graves in Rochester, Minn., three years ago and lost a close decision. Billy McFarland, St. Paul welterweight, in the Marine Corps, is back in San Diego. He has been boxing pro on the Coast for the last two months.

Johnny McCarthy, Stone Lake heavyweight, is over in the South Pacific with the Marines . . . . Send in your news for THE RING before the fifth of the month . . . . The Courtesy News Stand, 5th and Wabash, sells all THE RING Magazines the first week they are placed on sale. Get there early . . . . Eddie Williams, the St. Paul boxing promoter, is planning professional shows for St. Paul every two weeks. Tony Stecher, the Minneapolis promoter, has started his fall program. Managers can contact them for bookings for their fighters here in the Twin Cities.

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BOXING IN PANAMA
By ROBERTO A. TORRES

TITO DESPAIGNE, 148, who lost his first start after returning from California, knocked out Young Shadow, 145, former welterweight champion of Panama, in the fourth round of a ten-rounder at the Olympic Stadium. Despaigne lost the first two rounds but youth took its toll and Father Time caught up with the ex-champ.

Simon Lucas, 135, of Honduras, knocked out Baby Hunt, 139, in two rounds.

Kid Zefine, 126, retained his featherweight championship after 15 hard rounds against Sammy Medina, 122, bantamweight champion of Panama. Both put up a whale of a fight that had the crowd on edge and according to the score cards, the bout was not decided until the last two rounds. This was the third meeting between them, Medina winning two in the bantamweight class and Zefine this one in the featherweight.

At the National Gymnasium, Tito Despaigne, 148, knocked out Young Pancho, 146, in the seventh round of a ten-rounder. Despaigne, who was the favorite, scored a very unpopular decision, the crowd booing him regularly because of unfair tactics.

Simon Lucas, 136, knocked out Young Bancroft, 145, of Colon, in four rounds.

Young Chocolate, 117, knocked out Indian Villareal in four rounds.

Young Finnigan, Panama's lightweight champion, is in the United States to enter Johns Hopkins Hospital to have his hands fixed. He suffered a fractured bone during his fight with Tito Despaigne.

TIMELY CHATTER FROM GREAT BRITAIN

By JOHN S. SHARPE

TERRY ALLEN, Royal Navy flyweight, hailing from London, scored his finest victory to date by knocking out the Egyptian Bantamweight Champion, Abdel F. Hassan, in the sixth round before a record crowd at the Alexandria Municipal Stadium. At the weigh-in, Allen scaled 113 pounds to the 123¾ lbs. of the Egyptian, and local fans considered it would be quite a feat if Allen could hold so formidable an opponent, one of the best of Egyptian fighters. This Allen did with honors, for not only did he defeat Hassan, but he scored a clean knockout in the sixth stanza, after winning all the preceding rounds.

Terry Allen will surely upset the home crop of flyweights on his return to England.

Coming out for the sixth round, Allen shot left after left into Hassan's face, while the latter tried heavy right swings which were easily avoided by the Navy fighter, who sidestepped and crossed a heavy right to the jaw, dropping the Egyptian for a nine count, and on his rising, Allen calmly walked over, feinted his opponent to lead, and scored with a hard left hook to the jaw, which lifted Hassan clean off his feet, on to the canvas, where he lay to be counted out.

It was fully ten minutes before Hassan was able to leave the ring.

"Taffy" Morgan (Royal Navy) scored a points win over Cheata Hafez of Egypt in a hard-hitting six-rounder.

Johnny Malloy of St. Helens, 134¾ pounds, was extremely unlucky to have his unbeaten certificate dimmed when he was forced to retire with a bad cut in the second of his 10-round contest against Tommy Foxall, 134 lbs., of Tipton, at Johnny Best's Liverpool Stadium.

Malloy had won all his 15 pro contests in grand style and was destined for another win when his eye was too badly cut and it was in his favor that Referee Jack Curphey saw fit to call it a day, for it would have been too dangerous to let the contest continue, therefore Foxall was declared the winner.

In the three 8-round supporting bouts, Bob Hopwood (Bolton) stopped Jack Crossley (Army) in the fourth round. Jack Tremlow of Eccles stopped Jackie Ryan in the fifth and Chris Kelly (Liverpool) and Eddie Douglas (Liverpool) fought a draw.

Jock Porter, Ex-Amateur Heavyweight Champion and R.A.F., scored a big surprise at Paisley, Scotland, by outpointing the Former Heavyweight British and Empire Champion, Sergt. Jack London, over 10 rounds. Porter not only deserved his win but he all but knocked out his heavier opponent in the first round when London was forced to take a count from a right to the jaw. Porter continued to force the contest, and well deserved his points victory.

Jim Brady, Empire Bantamweight Champion, outpointed the promising youngster P. O. Tim Mahoney (Royal Navy) over eight rounds.

George Dilks, the hard-hitting Barnsley middleweight, stopped Jack Lewis (Bournemouth) in the fifth at The Stadium, Liverpool, when the latter retired after taking considerable punishment.

Jackie Hughes (Lurgan) stopped Johnny McDonald (Luton) in the fifth. Dempsey Brady (St. Helens) outpointed Jim Anderson (London) in eight rounds. Max Brady (Lurgan) defeated Peter Fallon of Birkenhead in the second.

Sergt. Arthur Danahar showed some of his old form when he outpointed "Lefty" Flynn of Jamaica in the feature bout of eight rounds at The Queensberry Club, London.

Jimmy Malloy (Liverpool) and Harry Davis (Bethnal Green) battled eight rounds to a draw. Mark Hart of Croydon was again outpointed by Al Marson of Stepney in six rounds.

Micky Colbert, the Liverpool Irishman, refused to be overawed by the prowess of the hard-hitting Negro featherweight Cliff Anderson of British Guiana and gave as good as he received, but after delivering a left swing, he suffered great pain, but continued to box as a southpaw until he was advised to retire in the seventh.

Jim Lydon (Ireland) scored a second round K.O. over Tom Thomas (Cambridge).

Jim Brady of Dundee and P. O. Ben Duffy (Royal Navy) fought a hard battle over ten rounds at Hamilton, Scotland, before a good crowd. The referee declared it a draw.

In another ten-round contest Eddie "Bunty" Doran of Belfast outpointed Hugh Cameron of Glasgow.

Sergt. Jack London who lost his British and Empire Heavyweight Championship to Bruce Woodcock and a points decision to Jock Porter, has decided to retire from the ring. London claims that he has been suffering from a rib injury, and his medical advisers have told him that if he continues to box his injury may cause him a permanent disablement.

In the principal contest at Birmingham, Alf Brown of London, 190 lbs., won on a disqualification, when Referee C. B. Thomas of Wales ruled that his opponent, George Preston of Battersea, 201 lbs., was doing too much holding. The contest ended in the fourth round.

P. O. Reg Hoblyn, 155 lbs. (R.N.), stopped Jim Hockley, 160 lbs. (Ex A.B.A. Middleweight Champion), in the third. Both fought themselves to a standstill, and a heavy right dropped Hockley for five. He gamely tried to continue when the referee wisely stopped the contest in Hoblyn's favor.

Another amateur with a good record, Cpl. Les Voyce, 141 lbs., met a tough welterweight in Jack Merino, 145½ lbs., of Bridgewater, who took everything that Voyce dealt out without flinching, and when the ex-amateur tired, Merino started to do a little pitching. The end came in the sixth session when Voyce was in no condition to continue, and the referee rightly stopped the contest in Merino's favor.

Tommy Plowright (Nottingham) outpointed Micky Jones of The Royal Navy over eight rounds. Billy Biddles (Birmingham) outpointed Bob Roberts (The Army) in the best contest of the evening, both lads came in for a big hand from the crowd.

Two American Air Force boys fought four rounds no-decision which brought loud applause from the fans, the boys were Jerry Pecararo and Clem Marrone.

All the proceeds of this show went to The Lord Mayor's War Relief Fund.

Jimmy Stubbs (Runcorn) gained a points decision over Jim McCann of Belfast in the main bout of ten rounds at The Stadium, Liverpool.

Ginger Watters (Belfast) outpointed Billy Barton of Liverpool in an eight round welterweight contest. Jack Humphreys (Leeds) defeated Bob Hopwood (Bolton) over eight rounds, after a good bout.

Joe Crawford (Bootle) outpointed Bob Pulling (Liverpool) over six rounds, as also did Jack Tremlow (Eccles) over Alf Roe (Preston).

Sergt. Tom Smith, the Sunderland lightweight, gained another win when he outpointed Kid Tanner (British Guiana) over ten rounds at Sunderland.

Jock McAvoy, undefeated former middleweight champion of Great Britain, who has now embarked upon the comeback trail, added another win, in impressive style, to his record, when at Fratton Park, Portsmouth, in front of a crowd of more than 10,000 people, he knocked out Johnny Clements of Scotland, in the sixth of a scheduled ten-round contest.

McAvoy came in as a substitute for the present middleweight champion, Ernie Roderick, who also holds the welterweight title, when Roderick was unable to appear, and pleased the crowd with his masterful display of hard hitting, boxing, and all-around ring generalship.

It was obvious from the opening gong that Clements had taken on more than he could chew in McAvoy, and the Scottish boy put up a very game show, taking some very heavy punishment, yet always trying to make a fight of it.

In the second round, Clements sustained a nasty cut under his left eye, but fought gamely on, an uphill battle.

Clements was floored just before the gong in the fifth round, but rose to take further punishment, and during the sixth round he was floored again, this time for nine, before being put down for the full count, from a very hard left to the chin.

Over eight rounds, Vince Hawkins of Eastleigh defeated Cpl. Tommy Jones of Derby on points.

Both lads took heavy punishment, but Hawkins made a slambang, all-out effort at the end and thus won a close but merited decision.

Harry O'Grady of Amersham outpointed Trevor Lowder of Bramley on points over eight rounds, while Jim Hockley, former ABA middleweight champion, outpointed Gordon Griffiths, Royal Navy, on points over the same distance.

In six rounds, Ronnie Jones, Isle of Wight, drew with Ldg. Stoker Phil Teone, Royal Navy, while Billy Cunningham of Kew drew with Freddie Wheeler of Basingstoke, and Basil McGee of Liverpool outpointed Harry Edwards of Birmingham in the third round.

Jimmy Moore, 151½, of Birkenhead, won over Jim Wellard, 153, Army, in the sixth of a scheduled ten-round contest at the Liverpool Stadium, when Wellard was forced to retire with a badly damaged hand.

Until the unfortunate ending, there was very little to choose between the two men.

Mick Gibbons of Belfast, lightweight, outpointed Danny Mack of Liverpool in eight rounds.

Geoff Heath of Worcester, welterweight, won on points over Pat Ryan of Widnes in eight rounds.

Bernard Pugh of Liverpool knocked out Chris Kelly of Liverpool in the second round. They are featherweights.

George Green of Warrington, bantamweight, outpointed Syd Clayton of Blackpool over six rounds of fast action.

Harry Davis of Bethnal Green pulled a big surprise out of the bag when he outpointed Arthur Danahar, Welsh Guards, in eight rounds at the Queensberry All-Services Club, London. Danahar scored cleverly during the first four rounds, and then Davis began to come into his own, and with fast retaliatory exchanges, he began to pile up points, and a grandstand finish gained him a narrow points verdict.

Davis has never fought with more tenacity, and although Danahar tried hard, he was prevented from making much headway, because of Davis' tearaway onslaughts.

Len Bennett of Bethnal Green and Al Marson of Stepney, light-heavyweights, met in a bout scheduled for eight rounds, but two sufficed, for Bennett, a puncher of note, landed a terrific right hook to Marson's chin and the latter was counted out. Marson was the better boxer, but the first real punch from Bennett ended the bout.

Claud Dennington of London, a really clever lightweight, who should be knocking at fame's door soon, boxed very cleverly to defeat Johnny Ward of Ireland in eight fierce and fast rounds. Dennington, who is a protege of the ex-welterweight champion of the world, Ted "Kid" Lewis, boxed and fought well to beat Ward.

In an eight-round bout, Petty Officer Ben Duffy boxed well to defeat Johnny Price of Manchester on points, while Albert Finch of Croydon drew with Eddie Starrs of Scotland in six rounds.

In the eight-round contest between Mick Gibbons of Haydock and Jim Keery of Ireland, Referee Moss de Yong declared "No contest," stating that in his opinion neither boxer was trying. There will be a BBBC inquiry into the contest.

Bert Gilroy of Scotland won over Lucien Courtois of France in the second of a light-heavyweight bout, when the latter retired. They fought at the Liverpool Stadium.

In eight rounds, George Dilks of Barnsley won on points over Des Jones of Tredegar, while Rugger North of Barnsley won over George Pull of Norwich by a T.K.O. in the third.

In a six-rounder, Bernard Pugh of Liverpool won on points over Terry Dawe of Gloucester, while Charlie Smith of Birkenhead knocked out Marcel Ludovina of France in the fourth.

Syd Worgan of Wales defeated Hal Cartwright of Tipton over eight rounds on points at the Molineaux Grounds, Wolverhampton, in a closely contested bout.

Worgan was the aggressor, but in taking the contest to Cartwright, was forced to take much punishment, and it was only his superior boxing ability that kept him out of serious trouble, and eventually won him a narrow points decision.

Phil Freeman of Wales defeated Tommy Myers of Leeds in the fourth when the referee called a halt after Myers had taken severe punishment.

Ronnie Pritchard of Llanharan and Jack Turvey of Birmingham gave a spirited exhibition for five rounds, until Turvey sustained a badly cut eyelid and was forced to retire, bringing an untimely end to an interesting bout.

Teddy Clayton of Wolverhampton outpointed Bert Donaldson of Birmingham over six rounds.

Tommy Foxall of Tipton, appearing as a substitute for Jack Bradley at a tournament promoted by Bert Marsh in aid of the Royal Gwent Hospital at Newport, was paired with Johnny "Darkie" Davies of Gelligaer in a thrilling eight-round contest, which ended with Davies receiving a narrow points decision after an exciting and clean contest.

In an eight-rounder, Mel Pope of Newport won over Geoff Heath of Worcester by a T.K.O. in the fourth stanza.

Heath was disqualified when his second entered the ring to appeal for a foul when Heath had been floored, and was thus taking a count.

Trevor Burt of Ogmore Vale defeated George Harding of Blaenavon when after flooring him for two counts of nine in round two and again flooring him in round three, the referee applied the closure, as it was obvious that Harding had no chance of winning.

The referee again called a halt in the contest between John Owen, 196, of Swansea, and Don Tighe, 161, of Sedgwick, when Owen, who had a weight advantage of 35 pounds, had punished Tighe unmercifully. Tighe was making his first appearance in a professional ring. At the close of the first round, the referee stopped the bout.

Joe Garrett of Wolverhampton was narrowly outpointed by Walt Walters, Jr., of Newport, in six rounds, while Trevor Pearce of Newport outpointed Godfrey Owen of Swansea.

Tom Smith, the smart Sunderland featherweight, who has not been active in professional rings owing to Army activities, proved that he is still a force to reckon with when he outpointed Kid Tanner of British Guiana in ten rounds at Roker Park, Sunderland, before 8,000 people.

Hugh Smith of Sunderland knocked out Teddy Duffy of Bradford in the second while Billy Cunningham of London was outpointed by Jack Lee of Consett over eight rounds.

Tom Nutter of Silksworth knocked out Arthur Clancy of Sunderland in the third of a scheduled six-round contest, and Jack Todd of Sunderland knocked out Johnny Lynch of Sunderland in the fourth.

Dick Lewis of Tylorstown knocked out Ronnie Kingston of Kent in the eighth at Pershore. Lewis punched hard and correctly to gain a good win.

Billy Biddles of Birmingham defeated Jack

Watkins of London in ten rounds on points while Harry, Cartwright of Tipton outpointed Arthur Benton of Birmingham in eight rounds.

Phil Volante of Birmingham defeated Mick Hession of Brownhills and George Bennett of Birmingham won on points over Noah Turley of Dudley. Both these bouts were over the six-round course.

Ivor Jones of Blaehavon won over Benny Price of Ammanford in eight rounds on points, despite the disadvantage of sustaining a badly cut eye early in the fight. The contest was at Torquay.

Charlie Fox of St. Helens knocked out Tommy Jones of Ammanford in the fourth.

Jimmy Jury of Bournemouth and Jimmy Bryant of Gloucester drew over six rounds.

Harry Legge of Bournemouth created a good impression when he defeated Ken Wells of Southampton over ten rounds.

Jeff Best of Torquay outpointed Ginger Wells of Bournemouth in six rounds.

At Derby Recreation Grounds, under the promotorial banner of Jerry Shaw, Alex Jackson of Glasgow and Ritchie Isaacs of Loughborough met in eight rounds with Jackson making certain of a decision by his constant aggressive action.

Reg Hunt of Derby was outpointed in eight rounds by Jack Cummings of Leicester.

Doug Levers of Chesterfield outpointed Billy Bridgart of Derby in eight rounds.

Ralph Wright of Selston defeated Tom Tully of Manchester on points in six rounds.

Mick Delaney of Ireland outpointed Terry Kennedy of Chesterfield in six rounds.

Al Marson of Stepney defeated Lucien Courtois of France over eight fiercely-contested rounds at High Wycombe.

Don Smith of High Wycombe, making his first appearance since becoming a prisoner of war five years ago, knocked out Jim Cole of Enfield after flooring him for several counts, in the fourth of a scheduled six-round affair.

George Wright of Enfield and Jimmy Roberts of Ponders End gave a lively four-round display, which ended with Roberts receiving the decision.

Harry O'Grady of Aylesbury knocked out Arthur Lawrence of Islington in the fourth.

Jimmy Doyle of Hoxton seemed unfortunate in sustaining a badly cut mouth, necessitating the stopping of his bout with Eric Stevens of Enfield in the third.

At St. Ives, Promoter Fred Green gave as his main bout an exciting eight-rounder between Art Owen of Ponders End and Eastern Command Army middleweight champion, and Jack Merino of Bridgewater. Owen had a weight advantage and he put this to good use, nosing out a narrow winner at the end.

Jack Watkins of Muswell Hill and Doug Fury (R.A.F.) gave a fierce battle for eight rounds before Fury received the nod.

Eric Hall of Milton outpointed Tug Wilson of Southall in eight rounds.

Charlie Waters of Downham Waters defeated Paddy Tapster of Ireland in six rounds.

Walter Redit of Soham stopped Harry Sargeant of Downham Market in the third.

Johnny Brickwell (R.A.F.) won over George Browning of Peterborough by a T.K.O. in the sixth.

Johnny Newman of Cambridge and Eric Stevens of Enfield drew after six fast and furious rounds.

Neil McCairn of the Royal Navy outpointed Danny Cunningham of Methil after an extremely interesting eight-rounder at the Grove Stadium, Glasgow, that had the fans on their toes.

Seaman Hugh Docherty of Belfast outpointed Johnny Smith of Bellshill in ten rounds.

Dave Ross of Methil knocked out Jim McGowan of Glengarnock in the second.

Mick Gibbons of Haydock and Johnny Ward of Ireland met in eight rounds at Wheelers End, with the result a draw.

Dick Powell of Staines was a good points winner over Sammy Haines of Egham in eight rounds.

Mick O'Brien of Ireland and Tug Wilson of Southall met in eight rounds and Wilson won by a K.O. in the fourth.

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IN BRITISH GUIANA

By COMPTON SANTOS

GEORGE FRASER, current featherweight champion of the colony, is definitely on the downgrade. He dropped his bantam crown to Young Montana not long ago, but was given a return go, provided he won from Hilton Denny. Well, he lost the decision to the young featherweight, who walked away with an easy win.

In the Denny bout, Fraser was dropped for a five-count in the sixth round, while Denny himself was down for a two-count in the eighth frame. Fraser, at 116½, gave away seven pounds to the winner, Denny.

In a sparkling six-rounder, Young Gibbs, 149½, added another victim to his string when he won a close decision from Harry Payne, 147.

The first of two preliminaries brought together Duncan Blair, 139½, and Jonathan Kennedy, 137½. These two gamecocks fought evenly all the way for a draw after four rounds.

Young Jenson made meat balls of Joe Bradford, then dropped him out of the picture, after 2 minutes and 11 2/5 seconds of the second heat. At 117, Bradford gave away three pounds to the victor.

Young Tanner did it again. He defeated welterweight champ Len Houston for the second time, despite giving away as much as 17 pounds to the champion! From the outset it was all Tanner. The weights were: Tanner 131, and Houston 148.

The supporting bouts were flashy and full of pep. The first one between Young Agard, 129, and Fighting Kamara, 125, ended in glory for Agard, after three rounds of fast milling.

In yet another three-rounder, Young Samuels took the measure of Kid Lawrence. These boys, incidentally, carried the same weights as the contestants in the previous bout—Samuels 129, and Lawrence 125.

Harry Payne and Young Zivic were the battlers in the six-round semi-final, which resulted in a draw, but was booed by the crowd, who saw Payne a clear winner. Zivic at 136 was six pounds the lighter.

At the Cosmopolitan Cinema, Rose Hall, Corentype, Anoop Singh, won a clear decision from Cisco Kid, over ten rounds of very fast and attractive boxing. Singh is a very promising boy and should tackle some of the top ranking fighters in his division to prove he's a title contender.

The weights were: Singh 134, and the Kid 136.

The annual amateur tournament for 1945 took place at the Olympic Stadium on Thursday and Friday, August 23 and 24, and on the night of the finals there was a professional added attraction between Young Gibbs and Tiger Shark. Gibbs was the winner in six rounds.

The "Shark" scaled 152, one pound lighter than Gibbs.

Flashes from Trinidad—At the Woodbrook Stadium, Port-of-Spain, Trinidad, "Bull" Gilkes proved to be a capable contender for Trinidad's middleweight title, when he decisively defeated Al Carrington over ten rounds of exciting and clean milling. The weights were: Carrington 152, and Gilkes 151.

The other feature bout was that between former lightweight champ Al Tunney and Barbados' welterweight contender, Gunner Braithwaithe. Tunney, too heavy for the lightweight class, is now campaigning in the welterweight division, and doing O.K. He won his ten-round bout with the Gunner, who gave him quite a time, despite losing the decision. There were three knockdowns, Tunney was down in the very first frame for an eight-count, while Braithwaithe hit the deck twice in the third session for counts of nine and six. The winner weighed 140, to 143 for the "Gunner."

Russell O'Brien and Coco Kid Gilkes, brother of the "Bull," fought a ding-dong battle all the way, the bout ending in a four-round draw. Both boys weighed 118.

Kid Basil won a hairline decision over four rounds from Al Pooney in a featherweight contest.

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TEX-HOMA NEWS

By CLYDE SMITH

PARIS, TEX.—A crowd estimated at 2,000 watched three Camp Maxey punchers register technical knockouts as the 22d Street U.S.O. presented its bi-weekly fight show, arranged by Pvt. Carl Margolis.

Pvt. Joe Teleso, 168, won a T.K.O. over Pvt. Harold Taylor, 167, three rounds. Teleso hails from Chicago.

Another T.K.O. was scored by Pvt. Richard Lewis, 176, of Merryville, La., over Pvt. Jack Sandefur, 173, Evansville, Ind., three.

Pvt. Arthur G. Orr, 140, Miami, Fla., knocked out Pvt. Coleman Johnson, 140, Columbus, Ga., three.

T/4 Russell Bryant, 143, won over Pvt. "Duke" Zinko, 145, Dillonville, O., three.

Pvt. Raymond Pence, 160, decisioned Pvt. Charles Shively, 157, Stubenville, O., three.

Pvt. Al Bradley, 140, Oakland, Calif., and Willard Joyner, 141, Sylvania, Ga., battled to a draw, three.

Pvt. Art Sharp, 140, Chicago, Ill., and Pvt. Robert Hetwole, 133, Akron, O., boxed a three-round draw.

Oklahoma City, Okla.—Proctor Heinold, 126, Oklahoma City, beat Pete Bolos, 123, Detroit, Mich., 10 rounds.

Johnny Dobbs, 145, Beaumont, Tex., stopped Howard Carr, 143, Oklahoma City, six.

Eddie Weller, 145, Anadarko, Okla., beat Louis Angel, 147, San Antonio, Tex., six.

Tony Elizondo, 160, Galveston, Tex., beat Johnny Riley, 158, Oklahoma City, four.

J. R. Winkle, 140, Oklahoma City, K.O.'ed Tommy Graham, 142, Wichita, Kan., three.

Camp Maxey, Tex.—Pvt. James Zozos, 137, beat Pvt. Eddie Rodriguiz, 135; Pvt. John Villarreal, 137, beat Pvt. Herman Tucker, 135; Pvt. Mike Montano, 134, stopped Pfc. Richard Salazar, 135 (1); Pvt. John Abbitt, 134, stopped Pvt. James Aldridge, 135 (2); Pvt. Jack Cordova, 160, knocked out Pvt. Nicholas Lamarra, 158 (1); Pvt. Spence Budd, 160, beat Pvt. Ralph Hill, 161; Pvt. George McDonald, 160, beat Pvt. Leonard Duncan, 163; Sgt. Jimmie Rocco, 147, beat Pvt. Leonard Elam, 145; Pvt. Neil Livingston, 147, beat Pvt. Samuel Wilkerson, 146; Pvt. Robert Smith, 147, knocked out Pvt. Milton Waldren, 147 (2); Pvt. Joe Sobiesiak, 175, knocked out Pvt. Rudy Zamnudie, 170 (2); Pvt. Ralph Ray, 174, beat Pvt. Robert Tomlinson, 175; Pvt. Kenneth Mason, 180, knocked out Pvt. Elmer Arthur, 220 (2).

Camp Maxey—Pvt. John Abbitt, 134, stopped Pvt. Mike Montano, 134 (2); Pvt. John Villareal, 137, beat Pvt. John Zozos; Pvt. Robert Smith T.K.O.'ed Pvt. Neil Livingston (2); Pvt. George McDonald beat Pvt. Jack Cordova; Pvt. Jake Brown, 126, beat Pvt. William Seaman, 120; Pvt. Robert Sedgman, 125, beat Pvt. Earl Monroe, 126, and in two exhibitions, Pvt. William Prichard, 160, beat Pvt. Ralph Hill and Sgt. Jimmie Rocco and Pvt. Nicholas Lamarra fought three rounds to "no decision."

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WISCONSIN BOXING GOSSIP

With Pinky Mitchell, Former World Junior Welterweight Champion

IN August, Milwaukee boxing fans paid $32,991 to see three boxing shows in Wisconsin, showing that this city is rapidly regaining its prestige as a Mid-West fight center.

Jimmy Sheerer, 146½, Milwaukee Negro welterweight, piloted by Lou Sangor, in his first windup, beat Billy Parsons, Danville, Ill., in ten rounds. Sheerer boxed well and proved to be a potent right hand puncher. He had Parsons down for a nine count in the 10th round. In fairness to Parsons it should be said he accepted the bout on three days' notice when Bobby Richardson became ill. The gate was $6151.

Then came the bout between Dave Castilloux and Johnny Bratton. Castilloux, 134½, Montreal, defeated Bratton, 132½, Chicago Negro, in ten rounds. In the first round the Canadian hit the canvas for the first time in his long career, when he caught a right on the chin after missing with his own right. He took a nine count. He was clipped again with a right with the bell ringing at the count of four. For the next three rounds he was still foggy but by working a flashy left jab overtime, he piled up enough points to cart off the verdict. The gate was $5040.

On Aug. 20, Juste Fontaine, Milwaukee, 134½, knocked out Alvin Gomez, Chicago, 132½, in the 7th round. Fontaine fought his greatest fight. Double left hooks to body and head, potent rights under the heart and to the chin coupled with a beautiful left jab that made Gomez fight the way he wanted him to, paved the way for the knockout. It was the biggest betting fight of the year—over $25,000 changed hands. The gate was $21,800.

About a year and a half ago we had an epidemic of trouble with decisions here. The 20 point per round scoring system was in use. The big trouble of the referee and judges seemed to be in calculations. A decision would be announced only to find that an error had been made in figuring the score cards. Dissatisfaction among the fans was rampant. The sport was rocking on its heels. Something had to be done about it.

Out of a meeting between Russ Lynch, Sports Editor of the *Journal*, and Fred Saddy, secretary of the Boxing Commission, cropped the idea of a four point scoring system. It solved the problem and met with instant approval by other commissions who have studied it. I understand that three of the Nation's leading referees, Jack Dempsey, Nat Fleischer and Benny Leonard are high in their praise of the system.

Fred Saddy, secretary of the Boxing Commission and chairman of the National Boxing Association Rating Commission, is doing a great job here, but it is unfortunate that some of the other commissioners have not absorbed a little of his boxing knowledge.

Met one of our State Senators the other day and he said he had in mind an amendment to the boxing law to make it mandatory that three members of the commission be boxing men, either former boxers, managers, referees or promoters of at least ten years' experience.

Milwaukee has four major clubs which is at least twice as many as should be permitted for a city of its size. Some of these lack boxing promotion experience which means that some fighters showing here on a percentage basis receive $500 to $1000 less than if the show were properly exploited.

Recently the Boxing Commission turned down a petition signed by the judges asking for a raise from five dollars, which they now receive to ten dollars. Several months ago they granted the examining physician an increase from $15 to $25 per show.

"Naturals" they call them—a promoter's delight. Milwaukee has two of these sure-fire sell-outs. Two managers, Eddie Metrie and Fritzie Zivic, sit in the driver's seat for both contests. Juste Fontaine, manager Zivic vs. Doll Rafferty, manager Metrie, is one and Fritzie Zivic, the "Old Master" vs. Charley Parham, manager Metrie is the other.

Results of preliminary bouts for the month follow:

Aug. 1st—Al Jordan 139½, Milwaukee, defeated Bobby McIntire, Detroit, Mich, (8).

Art Price, 135¾, Detroit, defeated Eddie Carson, 135¾, Chicago (6).

Al Jackson, 133, Chicago, technical knockout over Doug Fairbanks, 134, Chicago (3).

Ted Christie, 128¾, Benton Harbor, Mich., defeated Pat Bradley, 132¼, Detroit (5).

Aug. 10th—Bennie Droll, 158½, Peoria, Ill., drew with Art Brown, 149, Chicago (8).

Bob Satterfield, 170¾, Chicago, knocked out Vecie Van, 170½, Milwaukee, 1:12 of the first round.

Frankie Gaudes, 130½, Milwaukee, technical knockout over Jimmy Hughes, 137¾, Indianapolis, Ind., 1:50 of second round.

Stan Jordan, 146, Milwaukee, defeated Jerry Pittro, 157, Chicago (6).

Milt Varsos, 146, Milwaukee, knocked out Joey Atkins, 146, Chicago, 2:05 of third round.

Aug. 20th—Alvin Jordan, 139, Milwaukee, defeated Art Price, 134, Detroit (8).

Young Charley Zivic, 150, Pittsburgh, defeated Nunzio Ferraro, 147½, Milwaukee (6).

Wray Carter, 131, Detroit, knocked out Cleve Holt, 128, Detroit, 1:03 of second round.

Milton Varsos, 144½, Milwaukee, beat Dick Czerniak, 138¾, Milwaukee (4).

The outstanding preliminary boxer of the month here was Frankie Gaudes, 130. His manager is Phil Valley.

On September 6, Izzy Jannazzo made his appearance in Milwaukee and outpointed Charley Parham in ten rounds, and Bob Fowler beat Nunzio Ferrero in six.

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SOUTHERN OHIO JABS

By J. JIMMIE AMANN

PROMOTERS Billy Poole and Jack Brown, with Matchmaker George Nichols at the helm, staged another bangup boxing show at the Parkway outdoor arena in Cincinnati.

In the top bout, Ted Christie, clever New York and Chicago lightweight, stepped through 10 fast rounds to win nine rounds and the unanimous decision over Steve Bellus of London, Ontario. Both weighed in at 132½ pounds.

One thing can be said of the Canadian youngster. He's game to the core and will make a grand little fighter with a little more experience. Danny Spunt worked Christie's corner while Bert Williams did the corner chores for Bellus.

Tip Ramsey, good Negro welterweight from the Abe Skurow stable, turned over the apple cart in the eight round semi windup when he punched out a point verdict over the veteran Gene Simmons of Indianapolis. Ramsey took the bout on short notice, substituting for Jimmy (Beau) Brown who hurt his hand in training two days prior to the fight. Benton Cobbins, reverse southpaw right handed a knockout over Al Jackson of Chicago in heat number three of a slated eight bell affair.

Cobbins is a cutie with a sock. In the supporting four rounders, Larry Janke, a very promising middleweight from Cincinnati, upturned the dope sheet when he held Bob Flannigan of London, Ontario, to a draw. Pat Iacobucci, Cincy's best bet in the little division since Freddie Miller was on top, knocked out Georgie Stone, Cincinnati, in the second round. They are featherweights. Jimmy Woods, young Cincinnati Negro welter, looked like a million bucks in the opener, when he tagged Jimmy Hughes of Chicago in the initial heat.

Willie Purcell worked the prelims as third man and Earl Butler refereed the final. Both were up to par and did fine speedy work around the principals. The show drew 1121 paid customers with net receipts at $1463.00.

Eddy Johnson of Cincinnati has one of the best all around stables in the country. Topping with George Sugar Costner, welter. Eddy also handled Benton Cobbins, a good welter; Pat Iacobucci, Italian featherweight and a coming star; Herschel Joiner, another ranking welter, and Capis Benton, a two-fisted Negro featherweight. Also in the Johnson business are Willie Cutsinger, a junior middle, who can go with the best; Bob Nichols, a good heavy welter and Oliver Cobbins, coming lightweight.

On August 7th at Cincinnati, the Brown-Poole-Nichols promotions featured Steve Bellus of London, Ontario, in a 10 round surprise decision win over Corp. Dick Cook of Camp Atterbury, Indiana.

Jimmy (Beau) Brown, Cincinnati's good Negro light-heavyweight, was given the decision over Chris Cline's Kenny Johnson of Dayton in eight rounds which decision, this writer thought could have gone either way.

Pat Iacobucci won a 4 round decision over George Stone. Willie Burrus outpunched Larry Janke in 4 rounds. Bob Flannigan kayoed Frank Robinson in 2 rounds.

Around Fountain Square with the Punchers and their Pilots—Chickie Rose and this writer are representing George Gainsford, New York manager of Jones. . . . Adam Horoschak, world's welterweight champion wrestler, plans to promote a series of shows around his native heath, Shelton, Conn., this fall. . . . Promoters and managers interested in my yearly flashes fight service can secure same for one year with a one dollar subscription. . . . Fighters of all weights wanting local or national action contact this writer for both at 6716 Palmetto St., Cincinnati 27, Ohio. . . . Chris Cline, Dayton's popular manager, has a good heavyweight in Billy Pappas, the wild Greek who has been piling up an impressive record. . . . Pappas is a big drawing card in St. Louis. . . . Speaking of that town Lou Wallach and George Eagles have done wonders with the Mound City. . . . Bob Bonner, former manager of Johnny Stevens, is back in civvies after a hitch with the U.S. Navy and will soon be back in the boxing swim. . . . Joe Basco has struck pay dirt in young Jimmy Ainscough, a lightweight with a terrific punch and on the winning side. . . . Sam Thompson, west coast publicity star and sports writer, will soon release a syndicated sports column. . . . Jacky Davis, former Cincinnati welter, is doing all right by himself around Hollywood and Los Angeles. . . . Jack is associated with George White, the veteran coast manager. . . . THE RING is the best sports seller around here.

I would like to hear from towns and cities in southern Ohio and northern Kentucky that are interested in promotion of both or either boxing and wrestling. I can supply you with plenty of talent. See above paragraph where to contact me. This notation in response to the various letters recently received as to persons wishing to stage sports programs.

CAMP ATTERBURY, IND.

By SGT. RAY HELING

BOXING means crowds at this camp of returned veterans from all theatres of operation. Our semi-monthly shows drew over 10,000 GI's. Results of the two shows follow:

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155 lbs.—Pvt. Jesse Hayes, STU, won decision over Pvt. Sylvan Sage, CRS, in three rounds.

170 lbs.—Pvt. Bill Starnes, Reception Station No. 6, decisioned Pvt. Melvin Blevins in three.

118 lbs.—Sgt. Art Gering, Rec. Sta. No. 6, beat Ralph Turpin of Indianapolis in three.

135 lbs.—Cpl. Dick Cook, 1560th Station Complement, proved too fast for H. D. Morris of Indianapolis and easily copped the three round decision.

In the wrestling attraction, Cpl. Frank Kinnan, CRS, beat Pvt. Frank Bradley, CRS, in 11 minutes.

In the second show these were the results:

140 lbs.—Pvt. Eddie Barker, STU, defeated Pvt. Henry McMinn, Rec. Sta. No. 6, in two by TKO.

160 lbs.—Pvt. Alonzo Easley, STU, defeated Pvt. Bob Thacker, Rec. Sta. No. 6, by TKO in two rounds.

170 lbs.—Pvt. Pete Updegrove, Rec. Sta. No. 6, won by the TKO over Pvt. Melvin Blevins in the second.

200 lbs.—Pvt. Tom Martin, CRS, drew with Pvt. Frank Bradley, CRS, in 3 rounds.

140 lbs.—Cpl. Billy Fisher, CRS, won by TKO in two over Pvt. Howard Gentry of STU.

145 lbs.—Sgt. Siranobich, CRS, won over Sgt. Jack Evans, Rec. Sta. No. 6, in the 2nd by TKO.

Any promoter, boxer, manager or fight fan wishing any midwest information can contact me at this address: Co. A, DMD, WCH, Camp Atterbury, Ind., or at 1624 So. 37th St., Milwaukee 4, Wis.

BOXING NEWS FROM PARIS

By PFC. JACK SCHWARTZ

"PEACE on Earth—Good Will Toward Men." Yes we all screamed for joy over here in the ETO when the Japanese surrender was announced. We all realized that once again peace ruled the world. Once again the Allies have emerged victoriously. Every GI in Europe turned longing eyes toward home.

But for many GI's it will still be some time before they will be civilians. The Army still has work over here for its low point men. Cpl. Billy Conn, Pittsburgh's prize heavyweight contender, is one GI who has been overseas for 14 months but still hasn't enough points to get out of the WAC. Billy did more than his share in bolstering the morale of our men in more than 325 boxing exhibitions all over the ETO. Conn is rightfully being considered for a brief furlough in the States, and upon its completion Cpl. Conn will return to the ETO with a big sports troupe for another barnstorming swing through the theater. Billy is currently attached to the Bob Hope gang, having been "lend-leased" to the popular comedian by the Athletic Department at Hope's own request.

ETO Slants—Sgt. Felipe (Villa) Ramirez of Laredo, Tex., a Mexican middleweight who did a lot of boxing while at Camp Kohler, Calif., has returned from a 45-day furlough to the States. Ramirez is in Spain now, but will soon return to Paris. . . . Sgt. Buddy Gomer is on furlough to Switzerland. . . . Sgt. Verne LaCross just returned from a Marseilles furlough. . . . All 3 of these former Camp Kohler middleweights will be a long time in Europe.

IN CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA AND IN WEST VIRCINIA

By Danny Myers

HARRISBURG fight fans witnessed one of the most thrilling windups it has seen in ages, when Bobby "Cat" Maloney, 143, Pittsburgh, Pa., crossed dukes with the highly touted Detroit veteran, Sidney Miller, 151, now fighting out of New York City.

The first round was sort of tame compared with the remaining nine heats to go. In those nine sessions Miller worked a piston-like left jab that troubled the Pittsburgher. Miller tossed a looping right uppercut that invariably landed. The bouts were held at Island Park. The results of the other bouts put on by Promoter Al Cox and Matchmaker Ike Wolfe were as follows.

Henry Johnson, 150 (better known as Art Towne), won an impressive K.O. over Georgie Williams, 150. Johnson hails from New York City, while Williams is from Baltimore, Md. The K.O. came after two minutes of the third round. This was the eight round semi-final bout.

In the preliminaries, Earl Lumpkins, Harrisburg, 167, met defeat at the hands of Billy Goodman, 160. Lumpkins, Harrisburg's heavy puncher, could not cope with the powerhouse punches delivered by Philadelphia Billy. Johnny Ruth, 145, Harrisburg, former Golden Gloves Champion, ran into a sports store glove counter when Sammy Jetson, 140, of Philadelphia, unleashed barrages of punches to every part of Ruth's body and head. A solar plexus punch, near the end of the third round, ended the bout, the referee stopped it.

Johnny Fulton, 129, Philadelphia, was a quick winner over Oscar Williams, 127, New York City, Fulton won by a K.O. in two minutes flat.

Erie, Pa., is promoting professional boxing. The promoter is Mike Cannavino, 625 West 21st Street, Erie, Pa. Phone C6-123. Managers are requested to contact Mike, if they are interested in showing their talent in Erie, Pa.

Allentown, Pa., Joe "Pep" Barone is at the professional helm in the down state City of Swat. The writer would appreciate the notes on the bouts presented at all Pennsylvania boxing shows.

Yours truly has acquired the contract of a very promising middleweight, Neal Stokes, from Detroit. He is a cousin of Harold Jamaica Smith. Stokes tips the Fairbanks at 160 and is a Negro. Promoters wishing to book fighters that fight should contact the writer at 3304 Spring Street, Harrisburg, Pa. I also have Sailor Jack Thompson, now of Harrisburg, Pa., a heavyweight of promise. Promoters wishing to book this livewire, hard punching, 185 pounder, should contact me.

Joe "Pep" Barone put on a very good show at Allentown on August 20, with Ross Strickland, 176, of New York City, winning the unanimous decision over Jimmy Gardner, 179, Philadelphia, in the ten round wind-up of an action packed card. Other bouts were as follows, Paul Berg, 137, Philadelphia, won the duke over Freddy Burke, 153, Tampa, Fla. Jimmy Tate, 155, Philadelphia, knocked out Bobby Barrett, 156, Philadelphia, in the third stanza. Vince Laurio, 118, Camden, N. J., was the winner by a K.O. in the fifth round over Lucky Johnson, 124½, Philadelphia, Pa. Johnny Askew, 154, Wilmington, Del., disposed of Tommy Latch, 158, Philadelphia, Pa., in round number 2.

Sammy Angott, 142, Washington, Pa., drew with Gene Burton, 139, New York City, in ten round wind-up at Pittsburgh on Aug. 20. The Angott vs. Burton fracas was the top spot of a double wind-up at Forbes Field. Charley Burley, 158, Pittsburgh, and Aaron "Tiger" Wade, 161, San Francisco, fought the other half and went ten rounds. Art "Sugar" Robinson, 153, Pittsburgh, Pa., decisioned Phil Swartz, 150, Columbus, Ohio, in six rounds. Leo Garrett, 133, Cleveland, Ohio, decisioned Billy Bates, 132, Pittsburgh, in a six; Irish Ray Miller, 135, of Ellwood City, Pa., decisioned Chet Bossio, 132, of Pittsburgh, in the opening 4.

Huntington, West Virginia, Harry "Marine" DeVore, Yours Truly, Capt. J. R. Craig and Billy Howard, had things popping in the Biggs Armory when the local fans saw the best wind-up that has been presented for their enjoyment in many years on August 20, with Everett "Sparky" Reynolds, 144, Indianapolis, Ind. (Indiana State Welterweight Champion), versus Bobby "Cat" Maloney, Pittsburgh, Penna., 144, fighting a draw for 8 rounds. The boxers were punching hard and often and were well beaten up at the finish. Maloney suffered a deep gash in his lip and his tongue was cut and his left eye had a gash under it and both eyes were black.

The other half of the double wind-up scheduled for eight rounds, found Eddie Hines, Pittsburgh's Little Windmill, winning over Ralph Turpin, Indianapolis, Ind., in 2:41 of the first round. Hines was making his debut in Huntington and fans really received him well. Hines came in at 121 and Turpin weighed 124 pounds.

Other bouts found Jesse James, Pittsburgh roughhouse, winning over Benny Stewart, of Harrisburg, Pa. James weighed 140 while Stewart scaled 138. James won by a KO in exactly 1:24 of the second round.

Sailor Jack Thompson, 163, Harrisburg, Pa., was the victim of a fast count when Referee Kid Layman of Huntington thought that a KO was registered by the count of nine. Thompson was fighting Jack Hill of Huntington, W. Va. Hill delivered a liver punch in the third round that hurt the Sailor and the Sailor went down but was on his feet at the count of nine, yet was counted out. Hill weighed 173 pounds.

Brown Lee, 128, Huntington, W. Va., won by a KO over Harvey Mitchell also of Huntington, in the second round at 1:52. Mitchell weighed 135 pounds.

BOXING IN CUBA

By MILT BARON

LUIS GALVANI, Havana's star performer, defeated Lorenzo Safora in 12 rounds for the Cuban Bantamweight title at the Havana Sports Palace. Galvani, a product of the Cuban Golden Glovers, looked promising from his first contest, four years ago at the Marianao Arena. In winning from Safora, Galvani showed his merits, and he agreed to a return go which Safora asked for.

Babe Coullimber, former 126 pound champion, now a welterweight, scored a one round kayo over Jesus Vila at the Havana Sports Palace. Now Coullimber wants a crack at Joe Legon's title. He deserves this chance.

Rolando Delgado, Cuban bantamweight of note, won in eight rounds from Congo Guevara. Jose Gonzalez, 117, beat Pedro Medina in six, and Armando Diaz, 144, beat Bartolo Medina, 143, in four.

Luis Godoy promoted these fights and the doors were closed just before the curtain raiser to keep thousands of fans away who could not get in on account of a complete sell out. Godoy is an excellent promoter and has plans for staging a world's championship fight this coming winter.

Kid Tunero, Cuba's great middleweight, in a return go, easily defeated "Zurdo del Higuamo" in ten rounds at the Palace of Sports. Tunero was master all the way, and easily warded off Higuamo's terrific rushes. Higuamo is a powerful puncher, but Tunero made his man miss a plenty each time he bore in. Tunero weighed 155 and Higuamo 157.

Mario Morales, Cuban featherweight, scored a six round knockout over the highly rated Arquimides Yirac. Morales, who did some good fighting around New York recently where he was listed among the ten bantamweights in THE RING rating, appeared in good form and had Yirac from the start with his vicious rushing tactics. Yirac's manager, Pepin Prieto, halted the contest to save his boxer from unnecessary punishment.

Congo Guevara, Oriental bantamweight, in a return go, scored a three round kayo over Rolando Delgado, and Black Pico won by the K.O. route in the fifth canto over Chicho Boza, bantamweights.

Luis Fernandez, prominent promoter, will show Young Jess Willard versus Cuba's popular youngster, Wilfred Mayet.

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SPOKANE NEWS

By JIMMY TANSY

PROMOTER ORIEN GROSS experimented with a no-name card to see if the fans would take to these kind of shows or not. The answer is still in doubt as the weather was chilly and rainy. As it was, 1200 people saw Glen Northcutt of Spokane kayo middleweight Bill Fallon of Geiger Field in the sixth round of a sizzling main event.

In the semi-final, Li'l Abner, Portland middleweight, found Danny Boy of Galena, Wash., an easy target for his famed left jab and romped off with every round.

In the prelims: After having his man on the deck twice, Joe Acheuleuta, 134, of Portland, Ore., got careless and was a K.O. victim to Ralph Garrison of Spokane. In this we can see a rematch in the offing. Mike Finley, 140, of Missoula, took a popular decision from Pedro Gomez in four, and in the opener, Benny Jerome, 129, took a one-sided decision from young Joe Claimo of Portland. We think Claimo is a little too young to be mingling with experienced fighters.

A crowd of 3400 was on hand to see Tiger Jack Fox prove that he was ready to meet Bobby Zander in a return match when he whipped big Harold Blackshear of California. Although he couldn't put the soldier down, Fox managed to pile up a wide margin to take the unanimous decision.

Glenn Northcutt took three rounds of the semi-final six to kayo Danny Boy of Geiger Field. In the six-round special, and the best fight of the night, Spider Macculham took a close win over Bill Fallon, the soldier middleweight. Both boys hit the resin in this bout and they had to be separated after the bell at the end of every round.

In the six-round opener, the judges had their eyes closed as they made Mike Finley the recipient of the decision when really he was no more than a shock absorber for the elusive and cagy Lloyd Watts of Chicago, Ill.

Kellogg, Idaho—The Miners' Day picnic had a fight card featuring fighters who regularly appear on Spokane cards. In the final bout, Spokane's "socking soldier," Glenn Northcutt, increased his kayo string to eleven in a row when he came from behind to land his blockbuster in the tenth and last round. His opponent was Spider Macculam of Missoula, Mont.

In the semi-final, Benny Jerome, 129, gave Mike Finley a 14-pound handicap and also a neat lacing. Benny won hands down. Lloyd Watts won from Ron Riley in the four-round curtain-raiser.

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